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Flight Of Capital To Hongkong

Negotiations For Control Of CNC

Shanghai, May 7.—Negotiations for the effective control of Chinese dollars circulating in Hongkong, with a view to stopping the flight of capital from Shanghai and other Chinese cities, are at present under-way in Nanking, according to the Chinese press, quoting Mr Li Lih-shia, Director of the Shanghai Finance Bureau.

An agreement on this subject is expected to be reached in two or three weeks. The step is described as a follow-up to the anti-smuggling pact between China and Hongkong.

Mr Li, who returned to Shanghai from a conference with Government leaders in Nanking, said that Hongkong has become a free market for China's currency and unless something was done about the free circulation of the Chinese dollar in Hongkong, there is no effective way to control the black market here. He attributed the runaway black market situation in Shanghai to: Firstly, the escape of capital from Shanghai; secondly, the stoppage of rewards for the discovery of black market activities. He added that the reward system will probably be re-introduced.—Reuter.

MAN PUSHED UNDER TRAIN

London, May 6.—Henry Kidwell, 25-year-old mechanical engineer was held today on a charge of killing a complete stranger by pushing him under a tube train.

The victim was Ralph Usher, retired banker of Thorpe Bay.

Police who arrested Kidwell told the Bow Street Magistrate that a doctor certified Kidwell as drunk.—Associated Press.

Keystone Of U.S. Foreign Policy

Washington, May 6.—The Secretary of State, Mr George Marshall, today described as the "keystone of our foreign policy" the reciprocal trade law permitting American reduction of tariffs in agreement with other nations.

Appealing for a three-year extension of the 14-year-old law, now due to end on June 12, Mr Marshall told a House subcommittee that if Congress accepted the measure, the world would say the United States had surrendered her economic leadership.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

An Ill-conceived Decision

HONGKONG has accepted the decision not to meet individual claims for war damage and losses with a decision which could only be born of a fatalistic resignation to the inevitable. Few really expected to be reimbursed in full; most, perhaps, hoped for a token redemption of sacrifices made in the cause of military necessity. It is hardly to be expected, however, that there will be the same docile acceptance of the announcement made yesterday by Mr Rees-Williams, Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, that the Imperial Government is prepared to receive claims for ex-gratia payments to meet war damages and losses sustained by repatriated Far Eastern residents who have now decided to settle permanently in England. This has all the signs of rank discrimination. If it is necessary for those who not only lost everything, but who have either remained in Hongkong or returned to help the Colony to solve its rehabilitation problems, to forfeit claims against war losses and damage, there is no conceivable reason why others, because of repatriation and a decision to settle in England, should be favoured in this respect. It might be argued that the action is justified because the cost is to be met by the Imperial Treasury and will be no charge against Hongkong; but any such plea raises the answer that, if the Imperial Government has this money to spare, it should be offered to Hongkong. If only to help meet some of the claims against requisitioned private property. Government's refusal to recognise requisitioning claims is, perhaps, one of the worst examples of its cynical disregard

MORTARS IN ACTION AGAINST N.T. BANDITS

More Coupons For Clothes

London, May 6.—Clothing coupon reductions affecting shoes, gloves, utility clothing, stockings, raincoats, were announced today by Mr Harold Wilson, the President of the Board of Trade.

Meeting recent complaints by British clothing retailers by admitting "there is undoubtedly overstocking in some clothing", Mr Wilson told the House of Commons that new coupon rates for clothing—easing the burden borne by Britons since early in the war—would be introduced next Tuesday.

"The rates are intended to be as easy as we can safely make them without inducing a danger that goods would be deliberately manufactured for sale at half coupon rates." — Reuter.

Troops Join Police In Big Morning Operation

LAUNCHES FRUSTRATE A RESCUE ATTEMPT

At 6.30 this morning three mortar companies of the Royal Inniskillings, together with a substantial Police party, went into action against the armed bandits which the Police have been trying to ferret out of their stronghold at Lau Fau Shan for the past three days.

The Colony's security forces are determined to round up the gang, now estimated to be about 60 strong, and it is possible that units of the Gurkhas will be brought in during the day to assist in the operation.

This morning's operation was planned last night after the Police has succeeded in determining the area where the bandits are hiding.

It was recognised that it would be suicidal to send forces into the difficult terrain with its undergrowth which permits the brigands to hide with ease, and its undulations which expose the attackers to snipers.

The plan of campaign, which is being put into effect today, is for the Police to move in carefully and draw the fire of the fugitive bandits. The mortar companies will follow up and blast the area with shells, forcing the bandits either to surrender or to be killed.

Two hundred Police are taking part in the operation and have been so deployed as to make it impossible for the bandits to escape.

YESTERDAY'S ENGAGEMENT

Yesterday, in the course of helping to comb the hills, Sub-Inspector W. L. Kinloch and a party of men made contact with some of the

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bandits and there was a brisk exchange of firing for about 20 minutes, without any apparent results.

The engagement, however, helped to determine the area in which the bandits are operating.

Last night police launches in the Deep Bay area frustrated an attempt by the bandits to escape.

Sampans were sighted coming from Po On and trying to sneak ashore. Before they could make contact with the brigands they were dispersed by the police launches.

Continuous radio communications have now been established between Central Headquarters, Ping Shan and other points in the New Territories, while several police officers taking part in this morning's operation have been equipped with walkie-talkies.

Police hope that before the day is out the operation will have been completely successful.

JOURNEY ENDS IN CRASH

Darwin, May 6.—A Dragon Rapide aircraft today crashed in flames when taking off on the Daly Waters aerodrome, within 200 miles of its objective after flying 12,000 miles from Croydon, England.

The pilot was pulled from the blazing machine unconscious and badly burned. His four passengers were rescued badly burned.

The plane is one of two machines bought from a disposal centre in England for flying in Australia's central desert.—Reuter.

Austrian Peace Treaty Talks Suspended

EXCESSIVE REPARATIONS DEMANDS

London, May 6.—Four power negotiations for an Austrian peace treaty were suspended indefinitely today by the United States. Austrian Chancellor Leopold Figl said in Vienna the action "destroys all our hopes for an early conclusion of the independence treaty."

Developments indicated negotiations may be headed for the same sort of deadlock that obstructed the writing of a German peace treaty. Authoritative sources refused to speculate on the possibility the Western powers might seek to make a separate peace with Austria.

The British have given conditional recognition to the Austrian government as a de facto regime and give the Austrian representative here the status of a legation. Negotiations were suspended after Deputy Foreign Ministers held 110 sessions on Austria.

YUGOSLAVIA'S DEMANDS
American deputy Samuel Reber, who was to be chairman, announced he would not call another session unless new proposals were submitted on Yugoslav demands for reparations and territory.

Yugoslavia recently reduced her territorial demands from 1,000 to 800 square miles. She asked US\$150,000,000 in reparations. British, American and French deputies are firmly opposed to these demands. Russia supports them.

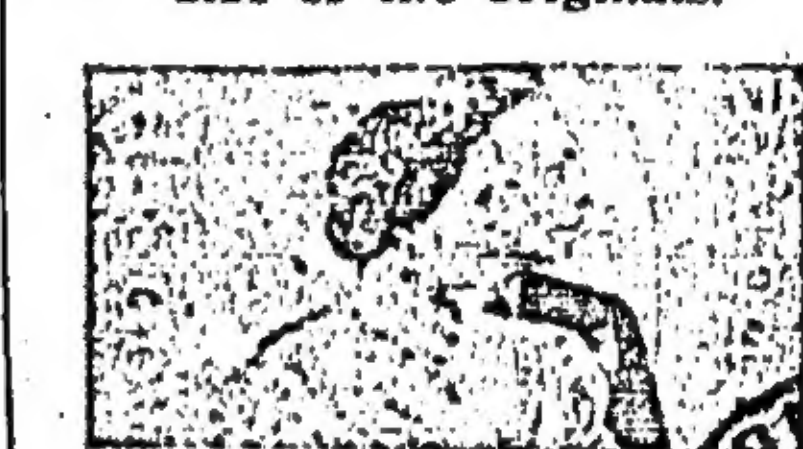
Mr Reber said he saw no useful purpose in holding additional meetings unless there were new proposals. This left the way open to resume sessions if Russia comes forward with new Yugoslav concessions.

Austrian officials were so sure discussions will be broken off indefinitely that Foreign Minister Karl Gruber prepared to return to Austria. Negotiations over Austria have

Commemoration Stamps



A First Cover carrying a series of the special stamps commemorating the Silver Wedding of the King and Queen arrived in Hongkong this week. Reproduced above is the £1 stamp and below the 2½ denomination. Attractive both in design and colour, the £1 stamps are in navy blue and the 2½ in royal blue. The reproductions here are one and a half times the size of the originals.



MPs Revolt Against Co-operation With U.S.

Western Union Plan

London, May 6.—Sixteen Left Wing Labour Members of Parliament today demanded that Britain must at once break off all military co-operation with the United States.

The 10 MPs included seven whom the Labour Party leaders had threatened with expulsion for signing the recent telegram to Pietro Nenni of Italy. They published a "plan" for European unity and recovery under the title: "Stop the Coming War."

The 10 men, led by William Warbey and Sydney Silverman, accepted the Western Union in principle but stated that it must become independent of America in a political and military sense.

"The Western Union would have to make it clear," said the 5,000-word document, "that under no circumstances, other than violation of its territory by foreign forces, would it enter an alliance against either the USSR or the USA."

UNDESIRABLE CO-OPERATION
The Western Union, said the 10 signatories, should also announce "that it would actively resist use of its territory as a base for military operations."

In connection with the Hague Congress of Europe, which is opening tomorrow, the signatories said co-operation with anti-Socialist forces in Europe was undesirable since the Western Union must be based on Socialist economic planning and collectivisation of industries across the national frontiers. Should the "first class disaster" of a De Gaulle victory in France occur, said the signatories, the Western Union would become impossible altogether.

The 10 MPs are confident that the United States will not withdraw its economic support to the Western Union even if it declared itself neutral. They feel that the Americans would still continue to fear that Western Europe might quickly become Communist in default of American economic help.

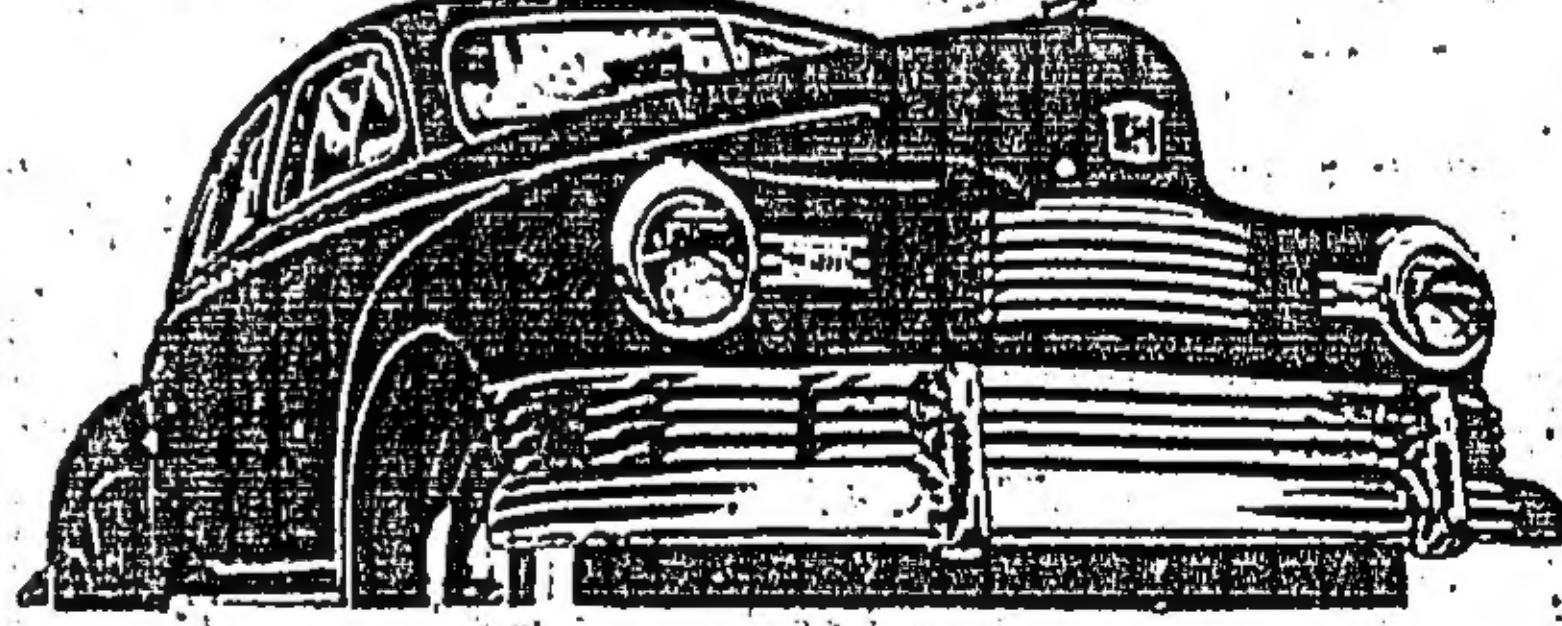
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They appealed to the rank and file of the Labour Party to suggest resolutions in meetings of local labour and trade union branches in favour of a neutral Socialist Western Union and termination of any staff co-operation with the United States which would commit Britain in advance to an alliance with the USA in the event of war with Russia.

While part of the Left within the Parliamentary Labour Party has thus come out with new action, the Party Secretary (Mr Morgan Phillips) has received letters from all 21 of the "Nenni MPs", who had been threatened with expulsion.

Mr Phillips will not decide on his own whether these letters really give the undertaking which Party leadership required from the rebels. He will submit the matter to the National Executive meeting next Wednesday.—United Press.

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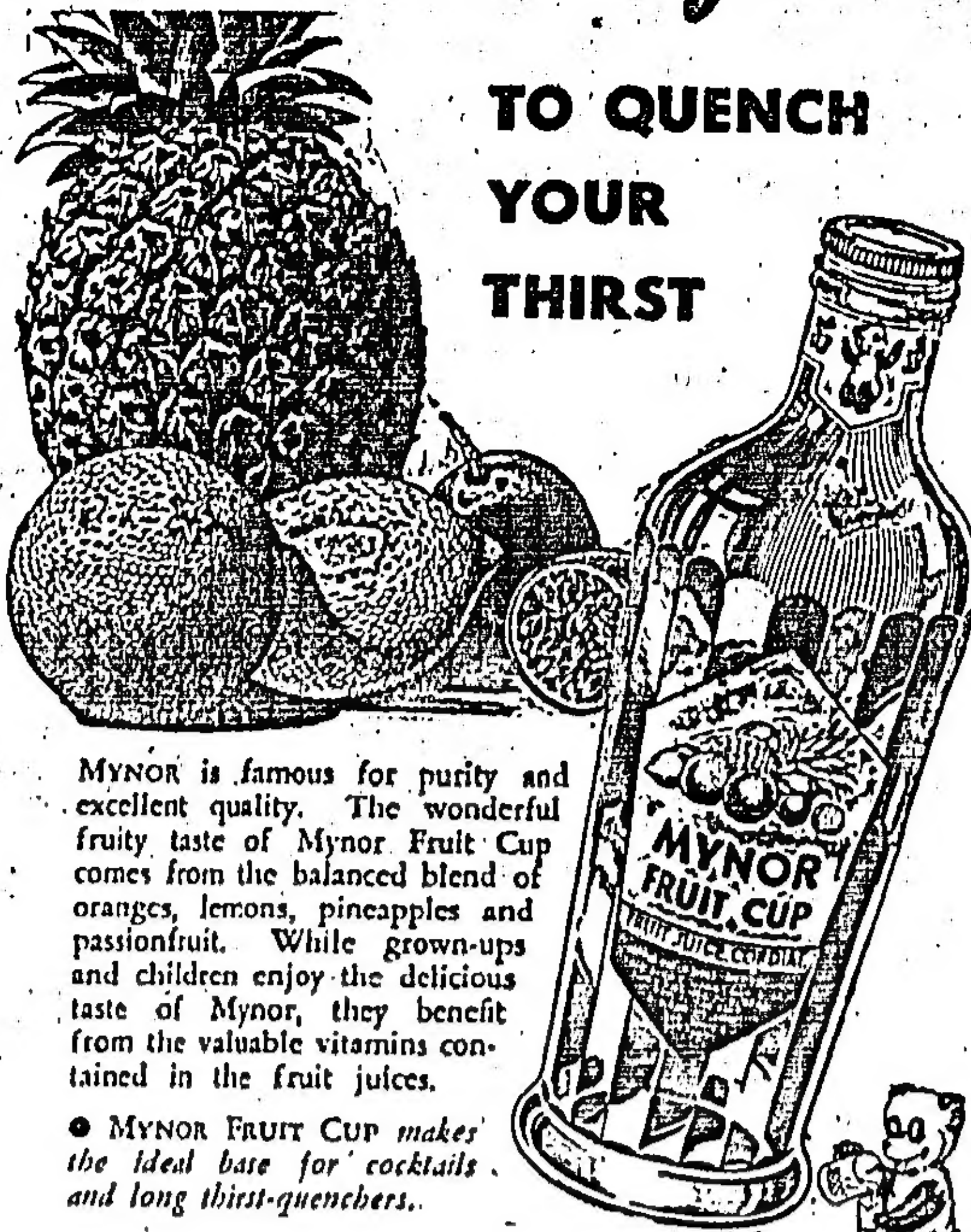
STOP PRESS

Gurkhas Join In Operation

Police and military forces, combing the Lau Fau Shan area for the hiding armed bandits this morning, had not succeeded in making contact with any of them up to 12.30 p.m.

Units of the Gurkhas have now joined in the operation and are helping to scour the hills.

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A FAMILIAR VEGETABLE DOLLED UP

By ALICE DENHOFF

CAULIFLOWER is a vegetable that has justifiable cause for complaint. Good as it is, it has to take abuse from unimaginative cooks who can't prepare it properly and from diners who grumble at its flat, uninteresting taste. This is not fair at all to a vegetable that really lends itself to all sorts of mighty good eating.

When you select cauliflower at market choose a head that is creamy white, tender and unbroken.

With Raw Carrots

Raw, crisp cauliflowers combine with raw crisp carrots and ripe olives for a nice relish platter, or marinate the little flowers in a chilled mixture of lemon juice and salad oil before serving with hors d'oeuvres.

How about serving up a batch of cauliflower fritters? Sift together one c. sifted flour, tsp. sugar, tsp. phosphate type baking powder and ½ tsp. salt. Combine one beaten egg, tbsp. cooking oil and ¾ c. milk; stir into dry ingredients. Beat till smooth. Makes enough batter to cover 12 large cauliflower flowerets. Separate cauliflower into flowerets and cook in boiling salted water until tender; drain thoroughly. Dip flowerets in batter and cook in deep fat heated to 370 F. until brown. Drain on absorbent paper. If desired, ¼ c. cooked chopped ham or grated American cheese may be added to the batter before coating the cauliflower. It makes a real surprise dish!

Delicious Dish

Cauliflower Cheese Souffle is another imaginative dish. To serve 6, melt 2 tbsp. table fat; add 4 tsp. flour, tsp. baking powder; mix well. Add c. milk, ½ tsp. salt and few grains of pepper. Cook until thick, stirring constantly. Add ½ c. grated American cheese; cook until melted. Add 2 c. chopped cooked cauliflower; cool. Separate 3 eggs; beat the yolks; add to mixture. Beat egg whites until stiff but not dry. Fold into mixture. Pour into greased baking dish. Bake in 325 F. oven for 50 min. Should be served immediately after taking from oven.

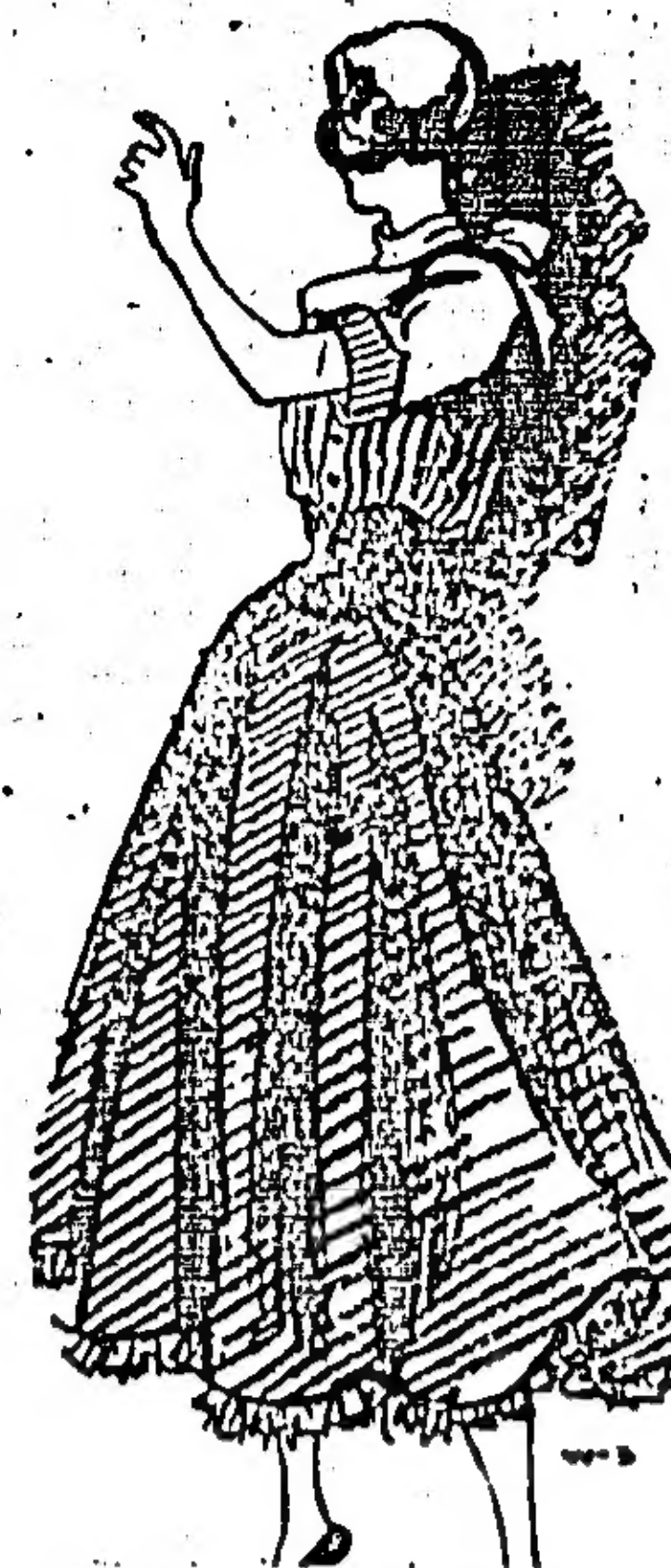
Curry will perk up cauliflower for those that think it is too bland and flat. To serve, curried cauliflower for 6, chop a small onion and cook in 2 tbsp. fat over low heat for about 10 min.; onion should not brown. Stir in 1 cup water into 1 cup curry powder to form a paste; add to fat and onions. Stir in c. tomato pulp, few drops Talcuso sauce, and ¼ tsp. salt. Sauce over cooked whole cauliflower or cauliflowerets.

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chambray for the tucked plastron yoke which is topped by a matching pointed collar spiked with a black velvet bow. The second blouse is of white crepe with white eyelid embroidery and lace forming the collar and the bottom of the full sleeve which is gathered snugly.

WHETHER a blouse be simple or dressy, chances are that if it is of the current crop, it will be bright with interesting detail. The first design (upper left) is of rose-colored chambray with white

NEW LOOK FOR HAIR

THE New Look in hair-styles contrasts directly with the New Look in today's fashions.

In clothes the trend is towards long, bulky skirts and flowing coats, with as much back-flare as possible. Hair-styles are neat and close to the head.

American hairdressers see the small head, with a cap-like hair arrangement, as a balance to flowing clothes and big, elliptical hats.

Hair must be cut shorter to achieve this New Look, and preferably combed forward in curls or loops over the ears. Top of the hair should reach no longer than the nape of the neck.

EFFECTIVE PUNISHMENT FOR A CHILD

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

WHILE in my teens I boarded in a home in which the mother of two boys, two and four, was very gentle. She spoke in quiet tones. But she was firm. She never repeated a command.

I noticed that she used just one kind of punishment—assignment of the child to sit in a certain chair where she could see him doing nothing and without amusement. I noticed that the youngster rarely cried while in the chair and never long, that he dreaded it and that the punishment was very effective.

Adopted The Plan

When, some years later, we adopted the plan as soon as our first child began to walk. Each of our children had valuable experience at chair-sitting; for punishment up to about ten or twelve. Each one is a parent now and uses the plan with good effect. There are now grand-children and another almost ready to be counted.

Time Limit

I should add that Mrs. Myers introduced an item which I did not observe to be used by that other mother. She set a definite time limit varying with the child's age—10 minutes for the tot under two, 15 for the child three, and so on up to an hour for the child ten years old.

The time to be served was always announced when the punishment was assigned. Very early she would place a clock where the child could see it, showing him where the

long hand would be when he could get down. If she were busy in another room the child would generously inform her when the hand had arrived. All our children learned thereby to tell time before they entered school.

Few Words

When the naughty child was sent to the chair or allowed to leave, the fewest possible words were used—no explanation, no exacting of promises. If, however, the youngster asked either of us a question or talked he was answered as if nothing unusual had happened, provided it was not related to the misdeed or the punishment. There was practically no crying, as the child soon discovered crying did no good.

Before the punishment was used with any child that child had learned to respect 'No' and not to venture into our presence what he was very sure he shouldn't (barring finger or thumb sucking and the like, which are not amenable to punishment).

Avoid Further Mischiefs

The obvious advantage of having the punished child sit where you can see him is to keep him from being tempted into further mischief. Well-trained to profit from chair-sitting in your presence, for punishment, he will profit later from being sent, for punishment, to another room for a definite period.

No use to try to use chair-sitting until you have established in the child respect for 'No' with finality.

RED RYDER



"Remodelling" Your Eyebrows



When Movie Actress Suzi Crandall tweezers her eyebrows she works carefully, always from the underside.

By HELEN FOLLETT

DO you know that in the olden days pretty ladies applied mutton tallow to their eyebrows, brushed them vigorously to make them look thick and luxuriant? Different ways. No doubt some of the so-called beauties had forehead line scimitars. In the days of silent movies the stars had eyebrows that were accented and widened with crayon.

Tweezing started along about 1918. It was a good idea. Clear-cut borders make the countenance look neater. Beauty shops were busy with customers who needed eyebrow remodelling, yet many women started out on their own to see what they could do. Sometimes the results were pleasing, sometimes not. Anyhow, it was all good, clean fun and supplied the sisters with a new diversion.

Interesting Method

A beauty specialist in Hollywood has worked out an interesting method. Instead of plucking

fuzzers, trusting to luck as to becomingness of results, he uses a thin crayon, sketches a pattern. By that means the pluckitude seeker can decide whether or not she likes herself looking like that. Before arching begins, cotton pledges that have been dipped in hot water are placed upon the customer's noble brow. This treatment relaxes the tissues, eases up the hurt when shafts are removed.

Slanting Line

Hairs should be pulled out in the direction they grow; they emerge on a slanting line. If the flesh is pinched during the weeding, there is less discomfort. Many an eyebrow grower has found that fact out for herself.

It won't do to do all the plucking along the lower border; if the eyebrow is placed too high, the eyes will appear smaller.

Eyebrows require a certain amount of attention other than arching. They should be washed with soap and water every day, groomed with a brush, the bristles of which have been dipped in brilliantine.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Hunting a Make-Believe Lion

—General Tin Tackled It By Himself—

By MAX TRELL

IT was late at night. The house was as black as ink—well, almost as black as ink, for a few moonbeams came in past the curtains at the window and gave a tiny bit of light.

In the play room Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-around names, were creeping stealthily along the wall. All at once they bumped into General Tin, the tin soldier.

"Here! What are you two up to!" he exclaimed loudly. "You nearly knocked me over!"

"Sh-h!" said Knarf. "We're hunting lions."

"Nonsense!" snapped General Tin. "There aren't any lions in this house! Lions are in the jungle."

Playroom A Jungle

At this Hanid explained to General Tin that she and Knarf were pretending that the playroom was a jungle, and that they weren't hunting real lions but only make-believe lions.

"Nonsense—stuff and nonsense!" said General Tin. "There aren't any such things as make-believe lions. Lions are lions and you can't pretend about them. There are absolutely no lions in this house. If there were any," he added fiercely, "I would have caught them. So you might as well go to sleep."

At that instant Knarf uttered a hoarse whisper. "Look! There's one now!"

He pointed across to the other side of the room.

"Where?" demanded General Tin. "I don't see it!"

"It's under the table! You can see its eyes!"

Sure enough, in the darkness under the table on which the geranium plant stood were two blazing



"There's the lion," Knarf said, pointing.

green eyes. "You're right! It is a lion!" cried General Tin. "It's a wild one, too. Get behind me, you two. I'll tackle it myself. I'll show it that it can't come prowling around this house while I'm here!"

Knarf and Hanid got behind General Tin. "Now then," he said as he lowered his musket and aimed it at the blazing eyes, "this is the end of the lion!"

Drowned Out Noise

Hanid put her fingers in her ears to drown out the noise of the musket. But there wasn't any noise. For the next moment the two blazing eyes blinked and out walked the kitten. She sat herself right down in front of General Tin and purred.

"Bah! So this is the lion—a kitten. Bah!" General Tin said in disgust. "I knew there weren't any real lions in this house!"

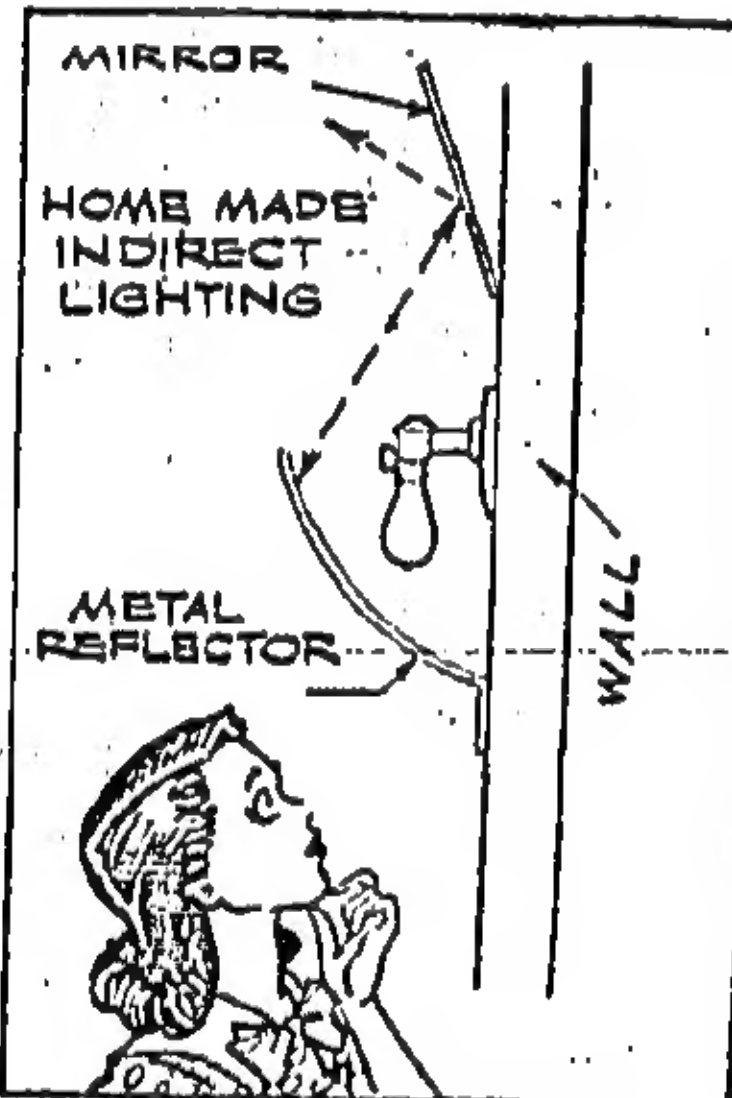
Then he put his musket back on his shoulder and stood as stiff and as silent as a poker for the rest of the night.

Knarf and Hanid thought there wasn't any use hunting make-believe lions any more. So they both lay down next to the kitten and fell asleep at once to the sound of her purring.

By Fred Harman

LIGHT YOUR OWN ROOM

(Continued from Yesterday)



If your walls are dark, try placing light-colored objects in front of them. Similarly, balance a light background with darker objects—picture, frames, shelves, drapes, cushions.

The source of light is often concealed in indirect lighting. Fluorescent lighting is expensive. Once again, you must borrow the IDEA itself, working with what you have, to gain your effects.

The average teenager doesn't have more than one plug outlet, plus a single wall or ceiling light. The plug is used for reading or desk lamp, course.

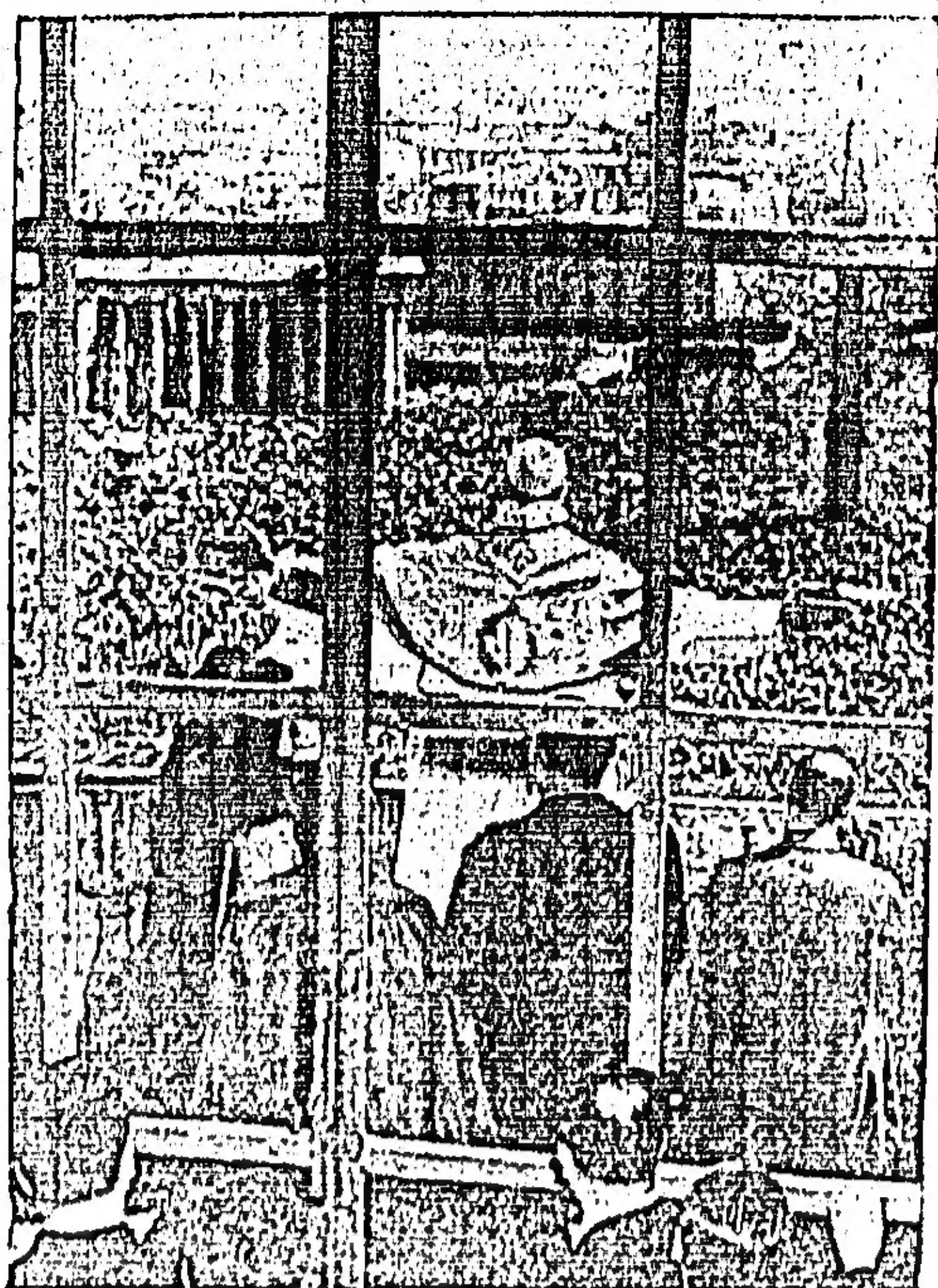
Rupert helps Dr. Lion—31



When Rupert is ready the Wise Old Goat starts to dress himself. He tucks his long robes into a heavy overall suit, then he puts on thick boots and fastens on a pair of skis. "Now we're all ready," he cries cheerfully, as he goes out into the snow and tests his balance on the glittering surface. "Hi, haven't you got any skis for me?" calls the little bear. "No, you wouldn't know how to use them," smiles the old goat. "You must get into this carrier on my back!"

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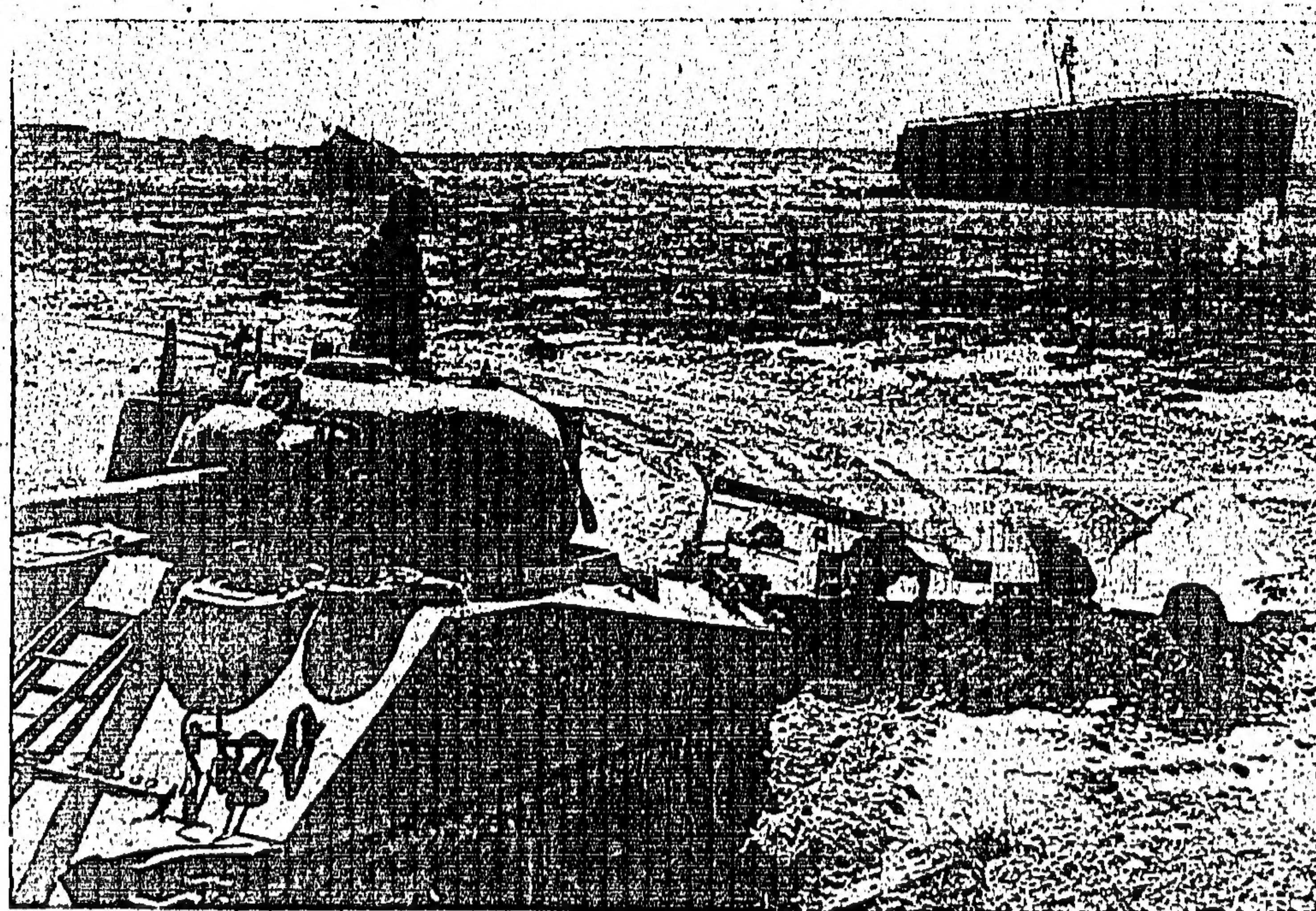
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



STRIKES AT COMMUNISM—A crowd of 200,000 jams St. Peter's Square in Vatican City to hear Pope Pius XII deliver a speech against Communism. The Pope warned his listeners that a man cannot serve two masters and must, therefore, choose between Communism and Christ.



GIDDY GLIDE—Karen Davis is determined to follow in the skating steps of her mother, Ruth Davis, star of a New York ice show. At this stage of the game, however, it's all pretty giddy.



BRITAIN USES HER TANKS IN PEACE—A British Army tank, with gun still mounted, moves inland dragging a 20-ton piece of the American steamer Samtampa. The ship went aground on Sker Rocks, near Porthcawl, England, and is now being broken up.



TRAPPED—Using his body as a shield, Donald Eames protects Edward Dens' head and shoulders from tons of limestone which slid into an excavation site in Duluth, Minnesota, where Dens was working, trapping him. It took more than an hour to free him.



NOT KIDDING—Hollywood comedienne Judy Canova is serious for a change. She headed the entertainment industry division for U.S. National Sunday School Week, which sought to inspire children of all faiths with the idea of attending Sunday school regularly.



A RUGGED LIFE—Tom Richards, editor of the Guam "Constructionaire" demonstrates the rugged life of the tropics. His royal crew are members of the paper's staff. Richards thinks this the finest life anywhere in the world.



MEETING UNDER THE BIG TOP—Johann Petursson, right, eight-foot, eight-inch giant from Iceland, meets the Doll family, midgets with a circus. Petursson recently made his circus debut in New York's Madison Square Garden.

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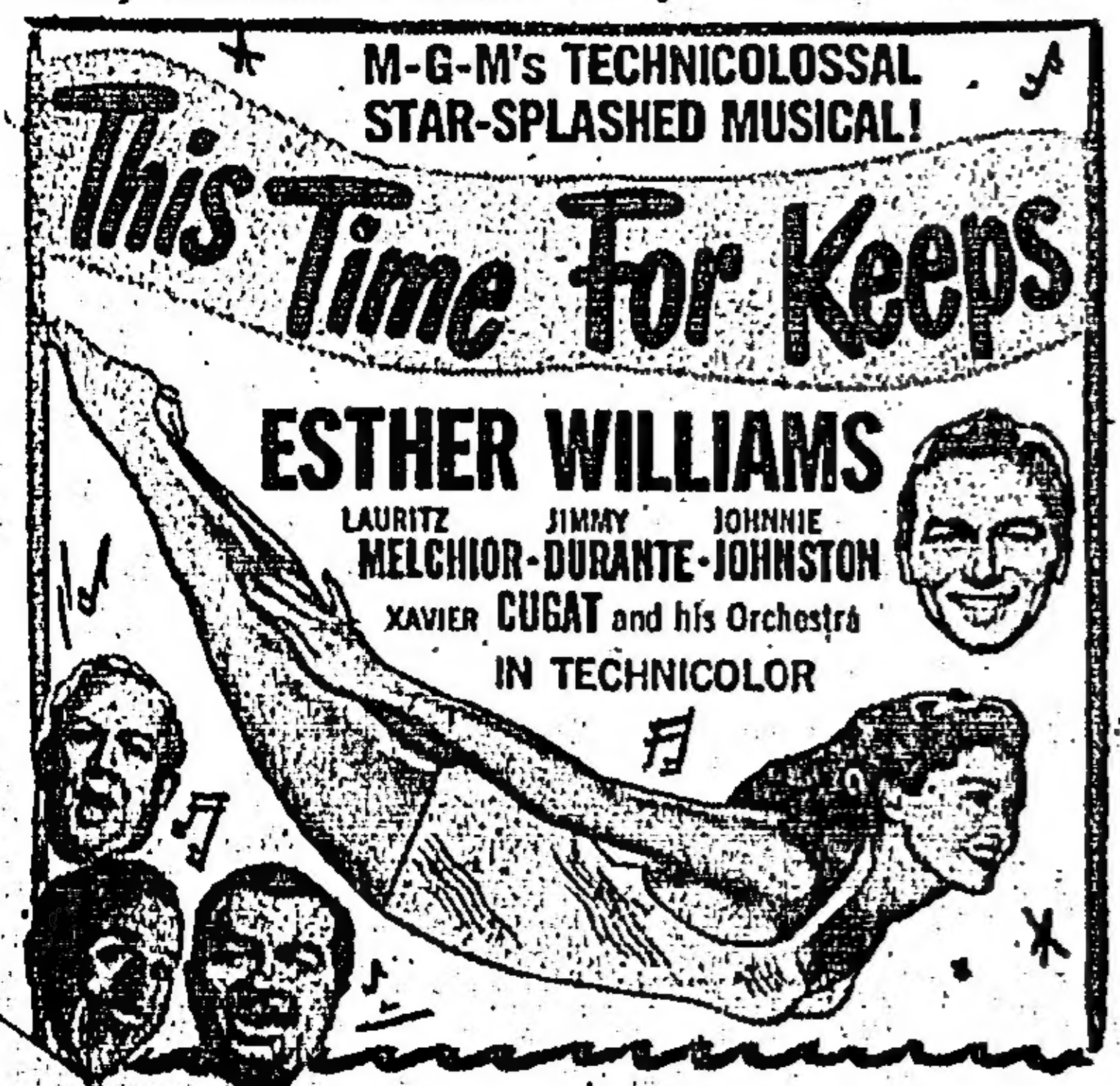
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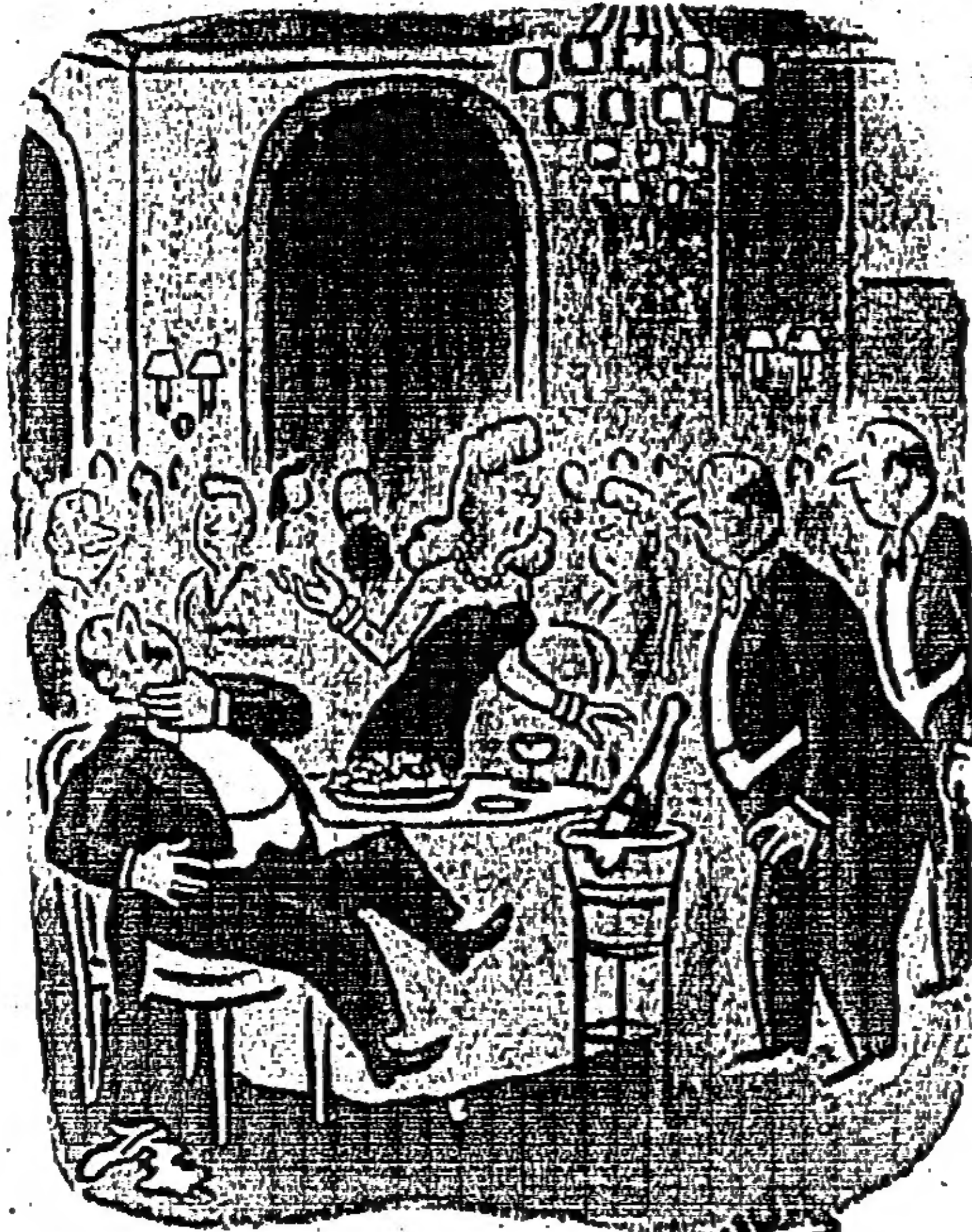
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"He was drinking champagne out of my slipper and he swallowed my arch-support!"

**100,000 WILL SETTLE
THIS YEAR IN CANADA**

By JAMES COOPER

TORONTO.
SO you are coming to Canada this year, you and 99,999 others. That is the estimate for 1948 of the Canadian authorities.

Is there a job for you? Yes, if you are under 40 and know a trade. The need is for men who can dig, who can build, who can make things. The 48-page newspapers carry six pages of advertisements a day for skilled workers.

There is 10s. an hour for bricklayers, but they must be able to work on in 20 degrees of frost by the warmth of oil stoves.

Where one firm is competing against another, they must be willing to work every daylight hour.

If you are really tough, there is \$1,000 to be made in a winter in the lumber camps, but you need the physique of a champion boxer and a temperament that can stand up to life in a log cabin.

There is 6s. an hour for workers in the nickel mines and, in the town, 5s. an hour up for skilled and semi-skilled workers.

There is little demand for professional and office workers. Most professions demand a university degree.

So if you are a white-collar worker, DON'T come unless you have first secured a job.

Can we get a house?

That is the biggest snag. The housing problem is not acute, but it is difficult. A house "to let" is never advertised.

The best plan is to buy a suburban bungalow costing from £1,500 to £2,000 on mortgage. A deposit of at least one-third of the purchase price is required.

In many cases the Bank of England has allowed immigrants to transfer extra money to help them begin to buy a house.

Municipal rates are about a quarter of those in Britain. Hydro-generated electricity is about a third as cheap, but it costs about £1 a week to keep the houses warm in winter.

Is living more expensive?

Yes. The higher level of wages must mean higher prices. Food is twice as dear, with butter at 3s. 9d. a pound, bacon 4s. and meat 4s. 6d.

The standard tram fare is fourpence, and carries you the length of Toronto, allowing you to change from one car to another.

A haircut costs 3s. 3d., exclusive of tip, a shoeshine 9d., car parking 1s. 9d., of chocolate 4½d.

There is much to buy here. Nylons can be bought by the dozen for 7s. a pair upwards. Cigarettes 1s. 9d. for 20, rye whisky unlimited at 15s. a bottle, and Scotch, rationed to 12 bottles monthly, at 24s. 3d. a bottle.

A good pair of men's shoes cost from £3 to £7 10s., a suit to measure, from £13 15s. in a multiple shop to £25 in a bespoke tailor's.

Is anything cheaper?

Yes, there are bargains. A new 31 h.p. car can be bought for £450, complete with radio, heater, and defroster. Tax is £2 10s. a year, petrol unrationed at 2s. a gallon.

A new portable typewriter costs £15, a first-class musquash coat £100, and beer, is delivered at 8d. a bottle.

Is the climate severe?

Canadians hate this question. They try to side-step it by saying, "It is cold, but we keep the cold outside." The truth is that but for the Canadian winter, populous as the United States.

Even in this southeast Niagara peninsula there has been snow on the ground for a month.

Here, away from the cold prairies, the coldest it has been is seven degrees—25 degrees of frost.

But it is just as likely to be 20 degrees below zero, or 52 degrees of frost, in the next week or so. There may be a blizzard that will halt all city traffic and close down factories.

Will we need warm clothes?

Yes, but do not do as we did and spend all your coupons on heavy woollens and then swelter in the 72 degrees, the standard indoor heat. Indoors, Canadians dress as if for an English summer, but for outdoors they have thick overcoats with hoods, scarves over shoes, and even earmuffs.

If a woman is going to a party in the flimsiest of frocks then she can wear snuggles—heavy woollen bloomers that she will hang up in the cloakroom.

If you have good tweeds and worsteds, bring them. They will cost twice as much here.

Should we bring furniture?

No. With second-hand prices so high it pays to sell up and refurnish here free from docket worry.

There is new furniture of metal, chromium, and plastic. The wood furniture, mainly in maple, is cheap and good.

**Redgrave waives
the rules**

CLOSE up, the tall, broad-shouldered, open-faced man with the astonishingly blue eyes and impatient brown hair, hardly looks the matinee idol type. His profile is not angular enough; his smile not insinuating enough; his manner not suave enough.

Yet the feminine "ohs" and "ahs" which have greeted his appearance on the stage, and screen would produce—laid end to end—a wistful sigh long enough to fill all the sound tracks of all the romantic films ever made. And the combined heart-throbs he has stimulated would cause a tremor sufficient to tax even the hardest of seismographs. But neither Mr. Michael Redgrave nor his career can offer any satisfactory explanation for these metaphorical statistics.

He has seldom played the handsome, debonair leading man magnetising women with

America has named him Actor of the Year . . . but will Broadway approve Macbeth's New Look?

by MILTON SHULMAN

a significant look or a disdainful air. On the contrary his theatrical Who's Who is studded with eccentric, character parts demanding unkempt moustaches, ample beards and badly fitting clothes.

Mr. Redgrave himself disclaims any pretensions to matinee idolism. In fact, he avoided taking his first film test because he believed he was not good-looking enough for the screen.

But despite this unique approach to his work, Mr. Redgrave today occupies one of the few Olympian perches reserved for the successful of his profession. He has just been acclaimed the best actor of 1947 by the U.S. National Board of Motion Pictures for his part in "Mourning Becomes Electra." And he is now in New York to try his hand at interpreting Macbeth for Broadway.

MACBETH provides as good an example as any of just how unorthodox an actor Mr. Redgrave really can be. For he has given the King of Scotland a New Look. Mr. Redgrave has abandoned the usual conception that Macbeth was a noble but weak man driven to regicide by an ambitious but plausible wife. Instead his Macbeth emerges as a towering chest-thumping villain who needs only the slightest of spousal shoves to send him careening to a fate for which he was already hell-bent-for-election.

Prick Mr. Redgrave and he is as likely to spurt greasepaint as blood. For his mother, Margaret Scudamore, first appeared on the stage in 1898 and in 1946 was still playing parts in the West End; his father was a romantic leading man; and his grandfather both an actor and playwright.

It is therefore not surprising that he eventually became a professional actor. What is surprising, however, is that it took him almost 25 years to do so. His education, his height and economic conditions conspired together to create the delay.

Unlike most actors, his schooling was traditional enough to qualify him as a diplomat. From Clifton he went to Cambridge, where he studied French, German and English.

Graduating in the financial crisis of 1930, he found the stage presented few opportunities. In addition he was advised by his theatrical friends that since he stood 6ft. 3in. in his histrionic feet, he had no possible future as an actor. "No leading man wants to have his supporting cast towering over him," said Mr. Redgrave.

HE therefore decided to take a temporary job as a schoolmaster at Cranleigh. Two and a half years later blood began to tell. If his height prevented him from becoming an actor, it surely could not interfere with his being a director. And believing that good directors must act first, Mr. Redgrave joined the Liverpool Repertory in 1934 where he was paid a handsome £4 a week.

Here in 1935, still in the family tradition, he met and married Rachel Kempson, the actress. Now the Redgrave clan has three more potential actors—one boy and two girls.

Mr. Redgrave's ascent to the top has been a steady and direct one. From repertory to the Old Vic to leading roles. Yielding to the blandishments of the film he made his first screen appearance in "The Lady Vanishes." He has not looked back since.

But on his way to fame he has shown that he is as adroit and vigorous a fighter off-stage as he is on. Accused of being a highbrow job, his brilliantly-written denial said: "I agree with Laughton when he says actors' names should not be inscribed in gold on a roll of fame, but scrawled on the walls of all the public places of the world."

Accused of being a pacifist his answer was to join the Navy as an ordinary seaman. Accused of producing an immature play he did not hesitate to tell the critics what he thought of them.

HIS chief aversion is being labelled an intellectual. "Not only does it drive people away from the theatre," he said, "but no one can be a great actor who performs with his intellect rather than his emotions."

In America Mr. Redgrave will follow close on the heels of a series of English Shakespearean successes—Evans, John Gielgud, Godfrey Tearle. But whether Broadway likes his Macbeth or not, Mr. Redgrave's philosophy will see him through. "It is extremely nice to have success, but it is important to have failure as well," he said.

**So they set out
to define the
perfect
office!**

by GORDON SEWELL

THE rooms are lofty, with lots of fresh air and natural light.

The walls are apple-green (it's restful) and matt-finished to avoid glare.

The block is large enough to provide at least 80 square feet for each worker. Partitions between the offices are of wood (to deaden sound) and movable. No section contains more than 40 workers.

The temperature is kept at 65 degrees—which is just right for those who write or type.

Rooms which face busy streets have double windows and are air-conditioned.

The telephones have muffled bells, the typewriters are silent. To reduce noise the floors are carpeted or covered with rubber composition linoleum.

Desks and tables allow a 6in. to 8in. clearance for the things, to save the clerk's clothes from being rubbed and made shabby.

The chairs, padded, are adjustable, allowing freedom of movement as well as support.

On each desk is a study lamp to prevent eyestrain.

When you go to wash your hands in this office you notice that the soap is liquid, the towels are captive. There are wall mirrors with grip lighting, automatic machines containing aspirins and other simple remedies.

All the staff rooms are above ground. The rest-room lounge is

furnished with small tables and easy chairs. On the walls are framed prints of good pictures.

At the top of the building (reached by a lift which is never out of order) is a canteen used by all grades—from messenger boy to head of department.

On the tables are linen cloths and vases of fresh flowers. Waitresses serve a three-course luncheon with tea or coffee which costs 1s. 3d., or you can choose separate course.

The food is prepared by a chef who learned his job in London and Paris restaurants. And the canteen is managed by a committee of staff and employers.

Should you be taken ill while at work, there is a nurse and a sick room. If you have any personal problems, you can talk them over with a sympathetic moral-welfare officer.

If you drive to work there is free parking for your car. If you cycle there are free sheds.

And, once inside this perfect office, naturally you sit down. Now follow this carefully. I quote:—

"The main thing to aim at is a habit of sitting in conformity with the normal anatomy of the back. This normal anatomy is subject within the bounds of health to a great degree of individual variation. There is, for example, among normal people a variation in the transverse angle of the spinal column of from 30 to 80 degrees."

Wait, there is more to come!

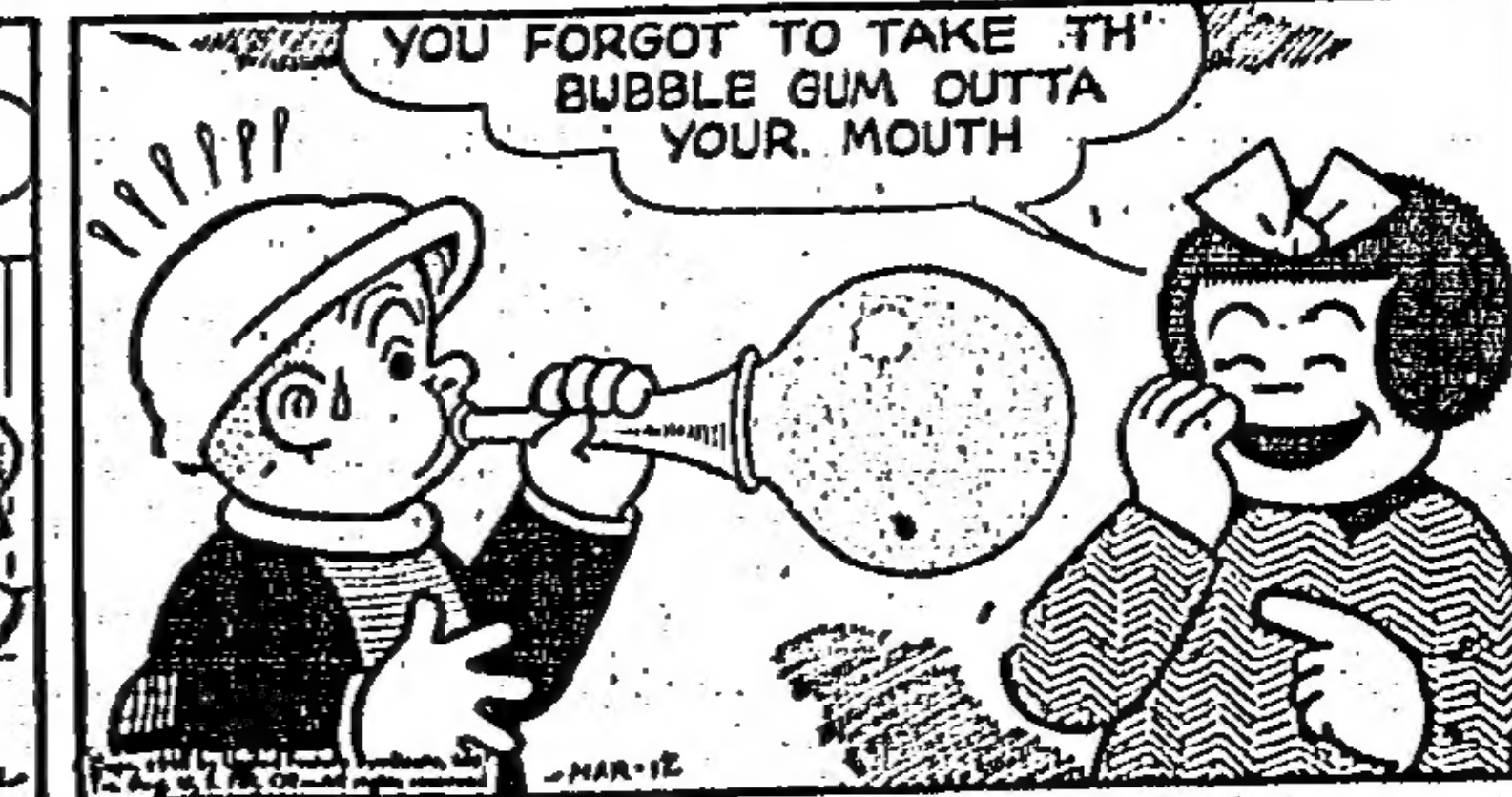
"Further, most healthy people change their sitting posture, and rightly so, many times an hour. It would thus be difficult to define any sitting position that could be universally described as 'correct'; the objective should rather be comfort for each individual."

"Medical opinion is that chairs are a relatively minor factor in producing faults of posture, round back, etc. As regards what may be called adverse mechanical factors in girls and young women at any rate, such things as overtight brassieres, and the tension produced by shoulder straps, stocking suspenders, and such garments as corselettes, are more likely to be harmful than the particular sort of chair they use."

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Whose splendid words are these? They were written by a study group appointed by the Treasury to investigate office conditions in the Civil Service, a task which took them 12 months, and involved hundreds of visits to Government departments all over Britain.

From their 164-page report, "Working Conditions in the Civil Service" (4s.), published by the Stationery Office, has been built up this picture of the ideal office set-up.

NANCY A Case of Arrested Rhythm

Appeal Against Judgment

Tribunal's Decision Upheld

The refusal of a Tenancy Tribunal under the chairmanship of Mr. Hin-shing Lo to grant an eviction order to Dear Chin-see, of 795 Nathan Road, top floor, Shamshui-po, against Enrique Leychen, otherwise known as Lee Po-loy, of 795 Nathan Road, first floor, formed the subject of an appeal before Mr. Justice Gould at the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr. A. Y. Hon, appeared for Dear Chin-see, while Mr. D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr. S. Ng Quinn, was for Leychen.

The grounds of the appeal were that the decision of the Tribunal was against the weight of evidence and was wrong in law. Mr. Clifford pointed out that in the evidence before the Tribunal the appellant, who at that time was unrepresented by counsel, said she had no suitable accommodation for 17 people, all of whom were members of her family except for one servant. He further contended that the Tribunal did not hear all the evidence that was available.

Mr. Wright, in his reply, reminded the Court that the chairman of the Tribunal was a Chinese barrister who, probably more than any other person, had a vast experience of such matters as were dealt with before the Tribunal. It was also perfectly clear from the Tribunal's notes, he said, that it was not satisfied with the appellant's evidence, and in fact found that it was not satisfied she did not have suitable accommodation for herself and family.

Dismissing the appeal, Mr. Justice Gould said he was not prepared to upset the decision of the Tribunal which was under the chairmanship of an experienced Chinese barrister. He fixed costs at \$250 to the respondent.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

Two Lorry Drivers Convicted

Two lorry drivers Liu Kwong and Cheung Mok were each fined \$100 by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning for driving lorries 6100 and 5492 respectively in a manner dangerous to the public at Island Road, Shaikwan Hill on April 11.

Mr. G. Binstead, Assistant Superintendent of Police (Traffic) said the defendants were admonished as a result of a letter from Mr. K. A. Barnett, of the Colonial Secretariat. Mr. Barnett was going to Big Wave Bay at about 1.10 p.m. on April 11 and when near a road towards the Chai Wan Cemetery, he saw two motor lorries driving abreast and they appeared to be racing with each other. The lorry continued abreast for about a quarter of a mile and rounded a blind corner at a speed of 32 miles an hour. Mr. Barnett then sounded his horn, and lorry 6100 driven by first defendant slowed down and the other lorry went ahead and overtook at the same speed.

Mr. Binstead pointed out that there had been a total of 298 accidents between January and March, (averaging approximately three accidents daily) due to the carelessness of negligent drivers, and he asked for a serious view to be taken in this case.

Mr. Lo ordered that the defendants' licences be suspended for three months.

Police Court Sequel To Garage Explosion

During the final stages of committal proceedings against Li Yung, Li Ngau, Lo Yan and a woman, Ho Ying, on charges of demanding arms and money by threatening letters, Li Yung at Kowloon this morning admitted having written a threatening letter to the manager of the Lun Sing Garage, and Lo Yan admitted being a returned banished.

It was recalled that an explosion occurred at the Lun Sing Garage on March 3 and as a result two accused were committed for trial to the Sessions.

Pang Tung-hoi, manager of the Lun Sing Garage, 188, Tai-po Road, stated that at the beginning of March there was an explosion at his garage. On May 31 he received by post a threatening letter demanding 12 automatic pistols and \$30,000. The letter also mentioned the previous explosion, saying that he had been responsible for one of the gang being arrested by reporting the matter to the Police. The threatening letter was handed to the Police.

After Pang's evidence, first accused, Li Yung, admitted that he wrote the letter having learned of the explosion through the newspapers. After Li Cheung-wan had promised him \$3,000, however, he did not repeat his demands on Pang.

The answers made by the accused to the charges were read by Interpreter Lu Kau-yu. Both Lo Yan

PAULA BY DENNIS WHEATLEY



Shopkeepers Exceed Controlled Prices

SOLICITOR COMPLAINS HIS CLIENT WAS MISLED BY NEWSPAPER

Mr. J. M. d'Almada Remedios complained that the Chinese newspaper Wah Kiu Yat Po was misleading the public when he appeared this morning for Pang Kwan, of Wing Kee, 91 Queen's Road West, who was summoned before Mr. d'Almada for selling a cake of Lux soap for \$1, the controlled price being 70 cents.

Mr. Remedios said he did not dispute the fact that the defendant sold the soap at \$1, but it was an honest mistake. Mr. Remedios then produced copies of the Wah Kiu Yat Po of May 3 and May 5, where, in giving the controlled prices, the paper gave the price of Lux soap at 70 cents and Lux soap which was made in China at \$1.50. The soap which defendant sold was made in China.

Inspector Pitman of the S. T. & L. who prosecuted, said since last year Lux soap had been placed under the one price of 70 cents no matter where it was made. For some time there had been no importation of Lux soap and he sent his inspectors to warn shopkeepers that they would be summoned if they sold Lux soap above the controlled price. He also saw the head of one of their guilds, who promised to warn its members.

Mr. d'Almada cautioned defendant, but told him that a conviction would be registered as the Wah Kiu Yat Po was not an official organ of the Gazette.

\$250 FINE

Second offender, Chan Kin-yeo, of Wang Hing, 140 Bonham Strand East, was fined \$250 for selling a cake of Lux soap for \$1.50, which was 70 cents in excess of the controlled price. If he failed to pay the fine, a closure order for three months would be issued.

Leung Fan-che, of Tai Wo Tong, 21 Pokfulam Road, was fined \$20 for selling a tin of Nuggel shoe polish for 30 cents (25 cents); Yang Sun-yi, of May Heung, 118 Johnston Road, \$75, for selling a tin of Cobra boot polish for 25 cents (20 cents); Fung Cheung, of Kwang Kong Co., 391 Hennessy Road, \$40, for selling a fluorescent lamp for \$7 (\$5.50); Chau Fat, of King Cheung Wo, Queen's Road West, \$50, for selling a tin of Ovaltine for \$3.50 (\$3.20); Lee Leung, of Tin Nam Lau, 157-163 Wing Lok Street West, \$100, for selling a tin of Carnation milk for \$1 (80 cents); Chang Yuk-chan, of Tai Fong Electric Co., 40 Hennessy Road, \$45, for selling a fluorescent lamp for \$8 (\$5.50); Wong Hon-sun, of Shun Lung Grocery, 110 Main Street West, \$50, for selling a tin of condensed milk for \$1.10 (\$1); Li Hui, of Stall No. 40, Man Wah Lane, \$45, for selling a jar of Yardley's Lavender Brilliantine for \$6 (\$5.50); Kuo Kun, of Wah Nam Electric Co., Ewo Street, \$35, for selling a fluorescent lamp for \$5.50 (\$5.30); Lam King-ming, of Tung Cheong, 150 Lockhart Road, \$30, for selling a cake of Lux soap for \$1.20 (70 cents); Lee Fong, of Hang Seng, Canal Road East, \$40, for selling a tin of butter concentrate for \$1.05 (\$1.00); and Wan Kut Shui, of Shui Kee, 253 Queen's Road West, \$30, for selling a cake of Protex soap for 60 cents (50 cents).

HIT-&RUN DRIVER DISAPPEARS

A photograph of an alleged hit-and-run driver was shown in the Kowloon Court this morning by Sub-Inspector Howarth who said that the man had absconded.

Charged before Mr. Blair-Kerr with allowing an unlicensed driver to use his motor-cycle, was Chan Pang-fel, 25, who objected strongly when he was fined \$400.

According to Inspector Howarth, Pang lent his cycle to his friend Tam Chai, alias Tam Kin-man, who knocked down a five-year-old boy on April 27. Tam did not stop after the accident but the cycle was traced to Pang. The boy was sent to hospital suffering from slight injuries. Pang gave the Police particulars and a photograph of Tam to whom he said he had lent the cycle that day, but it was found that Tam had left his residence at 157 Sai Yee Street and could not be traced. Pang told the Police that in all probability Tam had gone to the country.

The Police had no register of any licence under Tam's name and photograph, the Inspector added.

Pang claimed that his friend held a lorry driver's licence under the name of Tam Yau-hon, although he had not given this name to the Police.

He was told to give all further particulars to the Police and to ask for a review of the case within seven days if he thought fit.

Bridge Explodes

Frankfurt, May 6.—Part of the former emergency bridge over the Rhine between Coblenz and Ludwigshafen exploded yesterday, resulting in two persons dead and two wounded, Mannheim fire and police officials announced today.

It is believed ammunition hidden under the bridge during the last phases of the war might have been the cause.

The bridge itself has been out of use for two years and only the piles are still standing—United Press.

Demanding Money With Menaces

Two unemployed Chinese, Shek Hong-sai, aged 25, and Wong Kam-fan, 34, were charged before Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning with conspiring with others not in custody to demand \$50,000 from Leo Hung with menaces at Connaught Road West on April 5.

At the request of Det. Sub-Ins. Willerton, the accused were remanded three days for further enquiries.

YODELLING AT THE PALACE

London, May 6.—There will be yodelling at Buckingham Palace on Queen Mary's 61st birthday on May 23.

Swiss mountaineers who are coming to Britain for a folklore festival will give a command performance—Associated Press.

The woman, Ho Ying also chose to give evidence. She said she was Lo's concubine and on his instructions brought his belongings from the country to Hongkong where he said he was to stay. As she arrived in the Colony first, she booked a room at the New Asia Hotel but as her husband did not turn up she went back to the country after a night in the room. A few days later she returned to Kowloon and found her husband in another room at the hotel. He asked her to spend several days with him but soon afterwards they were arrested by the Police. She neither knew anything about the matter, nor did she know Li Yung and Li Ngau who were her husband's friends.

The case is proceeding.

Douglas Steamship Co. Dividend

The Consulting Committee of the Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd., announce that they will recommend to the shareholders at the forthcoming Annual Meeting a dividend in respect of the year ended December 31, 1947 of \$3 per share, less tax.

Communists Preparing Offensive

Ready To Move In Manchuria

Shanghai, May 7.—Evidence is mounting that the Communists are planning the first moves in a new Manchurian offensive. At the same time the power of the Red drive in west Honan province was reported to be increasing.

A United Press dispatch from Tsingtau said that the Communists were launching probing thrusts against the villages of Kuchiatzu and Tienchintzu, 25 kilometres southeast of Fushun.

The dispatch said that three Red regiments were participating in the attacks. It added that some Chinese press dispatches from Mukden declared that the Manchurian offensive was already started but there was no confirmation other than press reports.

In addition, the Reds were said to be moving toward Mukden, from both north and south but not in major strength.

Semi-official reports said the Communists were continuing to hold the bulk of their strength in the area of Changchun, isolated Nationalist bastion northeast of Mukden.

GOVERNMENT REPORTS

Pro-Government reports dealing with the fighting in west Honan said the government was throwing in all available air power to assist the ground troops. The reports said the Communists were in general movement along a 150-mile front, capturing Chengping and Ningshan, 20 and 40 miles west of Nanyang, which is preparing for a siege as the Reds get closer.

At the northern end of the line the Communists took the railway city of Shanhsien then moved to attack Lingpao, 15 miles south of Shanhsien.

If the pro-Government reports are confirmed it would mean that three toplevel Red commanders are joining forces in the Honan campaign.

Chen Keng was reportedly in command in the Shanhsien area, while General Liu Po-chun and Chen Yi were reportedly at the head of eight divisions and other Red troops were moving from west Shantung into North Honan. This force was said at present to be about 50 miles south of Chenchow, major Nationalist supply base serving Mukden and other Manchurian garrisons.

Yinghsien and Linfeng in North and South Shansi were said to be the scenes of other engagements with threaten to become major battles—United Press.

THE MARINE COURT

The mistress of a Class I boat was fined \$10 or two days by Mr. Cairns at the Marine Court this morning for failing to exhibit regulation navigation lights whilst under way in the Yau-mat Typhoon Shelter. She pleaded ignorance of the regulations.

The master of a cargo boat was fined \$50 for being alongside the praya wall at the China Navigation Godowns, West Yau, during prohibited hours without a King's inshore permit. Defendant pleaded that he was discharging cargo for B & S, who had a permit. He added that when the Water Police came, he saw the godown people show them some papers. Mr. Cairns pointed out that the regulations clearly state that such permits must be kept on board the vessel concerned.

Monster Reported To Be Roaming Himalayas

Calcutta, May 6.—A 90-foot long and 20-foot high specimen of the long extinct dinotherium—apparently an outsized version of the elephant—was reported today to be roaming the Himalayas, "happily plucking the tops of huge ancient trees."

The report, in a Calcutta newspaper from its correspondent at Shilling, Assam, said the monster was sighted on the southern side of the Himalayan range bordering Assam.

A "moving mountain" of flesh, wandering majestically, has been recently encountered by tribal people in Balipara frontier tract. The correspondent added he understood "a preliminary account has already been sent to the Royal Zoological Society, London."

Natural history experts in Bombay were dubious about the possibility of the monster's existence. Salim Ali, Curator of the Bombay History Society, declared: "I just don't believe it. Such a specimen has never been found—even in its fossilised form—anywhere in the world, and I am prepared to stake my reputation on denying this report."

The Royal Zoological Society in London said they had received a "vague and unsubstantial" account of a "monster." Dr. Geoffrey Vevera, Superintendent of the London Zoo, said: "Either some one has been seeing something or what they have seen is fossil. Our report from India did not say whether it was dead or alive."—Reuter.

De Beers Sell Securities

London, May 6.—The City was today interested in the fact that the £31,000,000 diamond company, the De Beers Consolidated Mines, has sold in the past year every penny's worth of British Government stocks which it owned.

The De Beers balance sheet as of December 31, 1946, showed an item "Union, British Government and local authority securities and debentures" standing at £8,103,023 sterling. But the new balance sheet for December 31, 1947, phrases this item differently, "Union and local authority securities and debentures" at about £3,450,740 sterling.

The difference between the sums was £4,652,283. Part of this—the amount of which was not disclosed—represents British gilt-edged securities which the Directors have sold. The proceeds seem to have been put in a bank in the form of fixed deposits to meet unpaid dividends due to shareholders on the Continent and elsewhere abroad who failed to claim their dividends during the war—United Press.

British Gunners Shell Suburb

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"Even if legislation could still be passed through both Houses of Parliament in time, there is no doubt that such a proposal would be solidly opposed by Members of all parties."

The British rejection of the United States proposals was delivered by Sir Alexander Cadogan, who told the United States that Britain could not, at this stage, undertake such an extension as events had already overtaken any possibility of such a move—Reuter.

TRUMAN'S OFFER

Washington, May 6.—The United States efforts to persuade Britain to extend the Palestine mandate include an offer by President Truman to supply a special plane to send the truce negotiators to the Holy Land, diplomatic officials revealed here today.

A four-point proposal was presented to Jewish and Arab representatives at the United Nations headquarters in New York on Monday. President Truman offered to supply the plane for Jewish, Arab and any other delegates to go to negotiate an end of the fighting. The Jewish leaders turned down the proposal on Tuesday night and Arab leaders rejected the proposal within the last 24 hours.

The British were reported to have said they would do what they could if the Jews and Arabs agreed, but were committed by the decision of Parliament to give up the mandate on May 15.—Reuter.

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Presidential Inauguration

Nanking, May 7.—The inauguration of President Chiang Kai-shek will be held before the middle of May, a fortnight after the conclusion of the National Assembly. It is learned today.

Preparations for the inaugural ceremony are being rushed by the Protocol section of the National Government.

Mr. Wu Ching-heng, veteran Kuomintang official and oldest member of the National Assembly Presidium, has been chosen to administer the oath when President Chiang Kai-shek and Vice-President Li Tsung-jen assume office.

Meanwhile, the Hsi Ming Pao reported that two bullet-proof automobiles purchased in the United States for the President and Vice-President arrived in Shanghai and will be shipped to the capital within the next few days—Reuter-APP.

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FOOTBALL

CHINESE OLYMPIC TEAM
WIN FIFTH GAME

Manila, May 6.—Playing their farewell game in the Rizal Memorial Football Stadium, the Chinese Olympic footballers tonight whipped the YCO team 6-0 before 16,000 fans.

It was the fifth straight victory for the Chinese team, which dominated the game from start to finish.

The victors scored twice in the first half and then added four more for good measure in the second. Lai Shui-wing scored three goals, Chau Man-chi two and Yip Chin Gen, one.

The Chinese team leaves for Bangkok on Friday.—Associated Press.

MORTENSEN FIT

London, May 6.—England's international football team to play Italy in Turin on May 16 will fly from Northolt airport next Tuesday.

Stan Mortensen, Blackpool inside right, who was injured in a league game against Manchester United, has been medically passed as fit to make the trip.

The England team is scheduled to play two games in Switzerland after the international contest against Italy which will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Italian Football Association.—Associated Press.

SCANDINAVIAN TOUR

London, May 6.—Blackpool, beaten cup finalists, will take a party of fifteen players on its tour of Denmark and Sweden between May 17 and June 7. Blackpool will play three games in Copenhagen.—Associated Press.

ARSENAL LOSE

Oporto, May 6.—Oporto beat Arsenal, the English League champions, by three goals to two here tonight. The winners led by three goals to nil at half-time.—Reuter.

AMSTERDAM GAME

Amsterdam, May 6.—Colchester United, touring the Netherlands, defeated Zeeburgia, an Amsterdam first division soccer team, today by

five goals to one. At half time Colchester led four to nil.

Goal scorers for Colchester were: centre forward Twanney fifth minute, inside right Curry 70th, centre half Fenton 30th, outside right Hillman 45th and left half Brown 80th minute.

Zeeburgia's goal scorer was centre forward Billouw 75th minute.

The Colchester team displayed excellent team work whereas the Amsterdam Club relied too much on individual play.

Colchester's last goal by Brown came from a 30 yards drive-in.—Associated Press.

An Olympic Games "possible," A. D. Fisher of the Army, cleared 6 feet in the high jump so easily that had he made another attempt he would probably have put on several more inches.—Associated Press.

Derek Pugh, international quarter-miler, clocked 49.6 seconds in winning his race by ten yards.

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In that final trying period I must pay tribute to Swift's great play in difficult circumstances and to the deputy defence of Cockburn and Pearson.

Nevertheless the Scots should have had this game well won by half time. Steel did well without shooting but the big successes were Shaw and the centre half, Young, even if Lawton did give two passes that brought goals.

The English selectors met after the match to choose sixteen players for the Continental tour.

Instead they picked twenty men to be watched and will issue the tourists' names on Cup Final Eve. No wonder.

A lot of the present side although likely to be retained, are not fit.

Drobny Home
Again

Prague, May 6.—Jaroslav Drobny, Czechoslovakia's tennis star, returned to Prague late today to join his country's team for its first Davis Cup match with Brazil on May 14-16.

He was hustled from the Rome plane to the Customs' room at the airport for examination. He said he knew nothing about the plans of his team mate at present on a tennis tour in Italy.

They are Milan Matous, Vladimir Cernik and Helena Straubova, reported in Italy to be awaiting visas to go to England although they had been ordered by the Czech Tennis Federation to return home.

Their failure to return ruled out Matous and Cernik as Davis Cup contenders this year.

Jaroslav Drobny was embraced by his mother and greeted by friends after he was out of the Customs' rooms.

He said that his ailing left arm was better and that he would begin training with his coach Karel Kozel of the Czech Davis Cup team on Friday.

"I do not know how all those stories got started about my not coming home," Drobny said.—Associated Press.

DAVIS CUP

The Hague, May 6.—In the second round of Davis Cup play here, Hans van Swol of Holland beat Jose Riquelme of Portugal 6-0, 6-3, 6-2, and Rob van der Meer of Holland beat Eduardo Nicardi of Portugal 6-2, 6-1, 6-1.—United Press.

DANES WIN

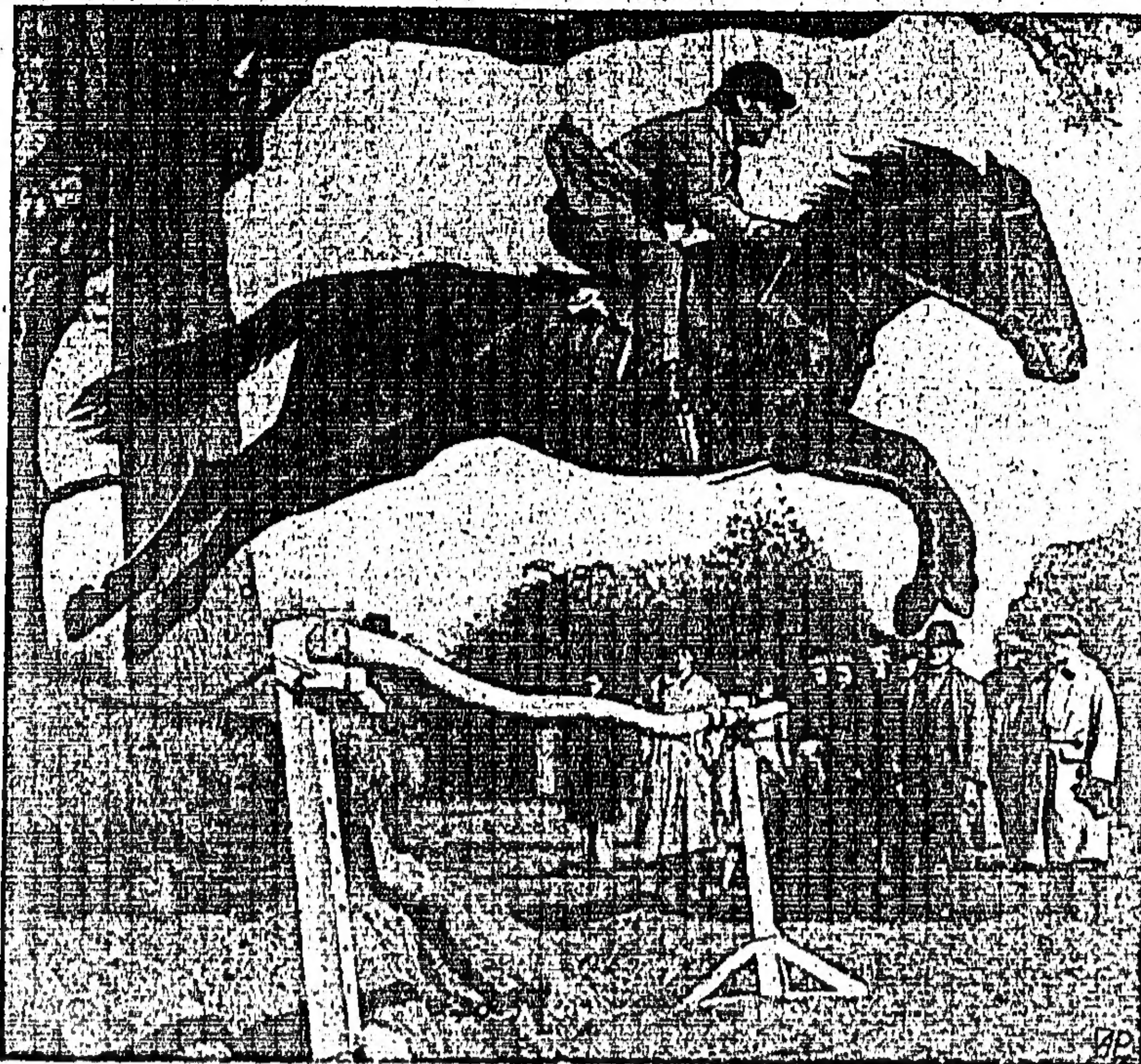
London, May 6.—The teen-aged Danish tennis team defeated Egypt today at Copenhagen to join 16 other survivors in the European zone Davis Cup tournament.

At Copenhagen, Kurt Nielsen, only 17, defeated Adly Shafel of Egypt 6-3, 6-1, 6-0 for the Danes' victory margin while Marcel Coen of Egypt trounced 16-year-old Torben Ullrich 6-0, 6-1, 6-0, 6-2, 6-0.

The second round is scheduled for completion on May 10. The ultimate winner next July 27 will play the North American zone champion for the right to challenge the U.S. holder of the Davis Cup.—Associated Press.

ALL The SPORTS NEWS of The Day

TRAINING FOR OLYMPICS



Col. H. M. Llewellyn (retired) and his horse, Kilgeddin, gracefully take a jump during practice at Aldershot, England, for the equestrian events of the Olympic games at Wembley and Aldershot. Kilgeddin was bred in Ireland.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET TOUR

YORKSHIRE LOSE AFTER
TWO DAYS' PLAYCounty Hopes For A Dramatic
Victory Were Bright Enough

Bradford, May 6.—Australia beat Yorkshire by four wickets after only two days' play. The final scores were Yorkshire 71 and 89; Australia 101 and 63 runs for six wickets.

Some remarkable cricket was seen on the difficult wicket between lunch and tea when 11 wickets fell for 83 runs.

Yorkshire lost their remaining five wickets for the addition of 36, mainly due to some fine bowling by the left-hander Johnston.

But Australia, needing 60 to win, were soon struggling.

The opening pair, Morris and Brown, were back in the pavilion with only five on the board, sheek followed shock, and when six wickets were down for 31, thoughts of a dramatic victory flushed through Yorkshire minds.

But then Harvey and Tallon came together and took the score to 47 at tea, leaving Australia 13 runs to get for victory. The necessary runs were made without the loss of another wicket.

In Miller's second over after lunch he got Smalles with an off-break that turned quickly to knock back the middle stump. Coxon, who resumed Yorkshire's innings with Smalles after lunch, seemed happier than any other of the country's batsmen, but he missed a straight ball from Johnston at 66 and Wardle bowled six runs later.

KCC BOWLS

There will be a roll-up at the Kew Cricket Club at 3.30 p.m. tomorrow for all members interested in bowls with a view to selection of players for the Ezra Abraham Liberation Shield as well as the two league sides.

SELLERS CONFIDENT

An improvement came from Sellers, who drove strongly and welcomed the introduction of the fast bowler Lindwall as a change for Miller. But it was Lindwall who got rid of the Yorkshire captain with a fast yorker, and when Johnston clean bowled Robinson with a slower ball one run later, the innings closed for 89.

Johnston, who mixed medium pace and slow deliveries skilfully, brought his match analysis to ten wickets for 40 by dismissing six men in the second innings for three runs each. Miller's final figures were nine for 91.

OTHER MATCHES

London, May 6.—Denis Compton, playing for the MCC against Surrey at Lords, ran into his best form today, scoring 123 in two hours, including a six and 14 fours.

He figured in a third wicket stand of 102 with Jack Robertson, who also scored a century. In chances display of four hours Robertson made 145 not out and, besides one sixer and 14 fours, he gained nine runs from one hit.

Earlier in the day Surrey's wicket-keeper batsman, A. McIntyre, made the first Lords' century this season with an enterprising 105 not out.—Reuter.

THE SCORE BOARD

The final scoreboard read:
Yorkshire: 1st Innings 71
2nd Innings

Hutton, c Hamence, b Johnston . 11
Halliday, c Brown, b Miller . . . 1
Lester, hit wicket, b Johnston . . 10
Aspinall, b Miller 10
Watson, b Johnston 1
Coxon, b Johnston 1
Smalles, b Miller 0
Sellers, b Lindwall 21
Wardle, b Johnston 0
Brennan, not out 3
Robinson, b Johnston 0
Extras 11

Bowling: Lindwall 1 for 11, Miller 3 for 40, Johnston 6 for 18.
Australia: 1st Innings 101
2nd Innings

Morris, c Hutton, b Smalles . . . 3
Brown, b Smalles 2
Miller, c Halliday, b Wardle . . . 2
Hassett, c Sellers, b Smalles . . . 12
Hamence, run out 1
Harvey, not out 18
McCool, c and b Wardle 5
Tallon, not out 17
Extras 3

for six wickets 63
Bowling: Wardle 2 for 38, Smalles 3 for 32.—Reuter.

GOLF

VON NIDA
SORRY

Southport, England, May 6.—Norman Von Nida, Australian golfer, apologised to the British Professional Golfers Association today for tossing away his putter and driver during the Dunlop Southport tournament on Wednesday.

In wind and rain, Von Nida shot 83, the highest score of his career, and placed himself in danger of not qualifying for the final stages of the £2,000 tourney.

Nida assured the tournament committee "It shall never happen again."

He also said the reason he wore his raincoat while playing shots was because "it was so darned cold that if I had had ten raincoats and could have worn them I would have."

WELSH WOMEN'S TITLE

Prestatyn, Wales, May 6.—Mrs Nigel Sealey won the Welsh women's golf championship today by the record margin of twelve and eleven over the holder Miss Muriel Barron. Miss Barron won only one of the 25 holes played.—Associated Press.

CHINA'S NATIONAL GAMES

INTEREST CENTRED TODAY
ON HK FOOTBALLERS

Shanghai, May 7.—Football and basketball, China's two most popular sports, will hold the spotlight today at the National Athletic Meet, with capacity crowds expected to turn up for the matches between Hongkong's crack eleven and the Chinese Navy, and between Malaya and Nanking.

Special interest is being shown in the Hongkong side because they defeated the Olympic team before the latter left the British colony en route to London.

The basketball programme calls for matches between the Philippines and the Army, Malaya and Navy, Hong Kong and Army, Special Services and Shanghai versus Kwangtung.

The highlight of the track and field events today is the final of the 1,500 metres, in which Liu Ching-kun, 5,000-metre champion, and Yu Hsi-wel, of Shanghai, are top favourites.

The only Overseas athletes to get places in the 400-metre heats were Yang Chun-mel, of Malaya, Li Hung-cheng, Jen Tsao-chun and Pi Shu (all from Saigon).

In the 110-metre high hurdles, Hwang Liang-tseng and Chen Ching-chi (both Malaysians) won their respective heats, with Hwang's time of 16.5 seconds being eventually the best time of all heats.

In the 400-metre dash only Li Chiu-hsing (Malaya), Lin Chung-li (Siam) and Chen Ping-hwang (Philippines) qualified.

The Fu-hsing won the weight-lifting (feather) final with 275

kilogrammes, with Chow En-ll, of Indonesia, third.

Taiwan took the first four places in the high jump final, with Lung Li-min (Malaya) sixth.—Reuter.

COLONY CHES

Sequeira Leads
In Championship

F. X. Sequeira took a valuable one-point lead in the third round of the Colony Open Chess Championship final at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

All six finalists settled down to serious chess yesterday and games were keenly contested. Two were still on after 10 p.m. and one was over only at 11.15 p.m.

The third round proved the best of the tournament and, with two good games as well in last Tuesday's first round of the Reserve Tournament, the future for good chess in the Colony looks brighter.

Sequeira scored a clever win over J. P. de Carvalho in a Lasker Defence to the QGD that went to 31 moves before his opponent resigned. The win is the more meritorious for the fact it was accomplished with the black pieces. Sequeira was at his best and earned his point through good combinative play against a strong opponent who was allowing no errors.

The win came in the middle game when Carvalho was forced to sacrifice a knight to avoid mate on move. He resigned a few moves later.

BARNETT WINS

Replying with the Falkbeer Counter Gambit to P. K. Prokopov's offer of the King's pawn, K. M. A. Barnett also scored a win with the black pieces in a game that went to 51 moves and also failed to reach the end-game stage.

Both players were at their best and there was a long positional struggle that saw Prokopov valiantly trying to consolidate a weak passed pawn. Barnett finally broke through to win a pawn on the 44th move and further threaten Prokopov's position.

Prokopov was playing an accurate defensive game with some imagination but failed completely to see through a neat mating trap Barnett set in midboard by the offer of a bishop for what appeared to be a pawn. He fell into it but so would many a better player after a long grueling game of more than four hours.

Unorthodoxy in the opening was the rule as well on the third board where Ray Danenberg and L. Schure fought out five hours of a Queen's Gambit Accepted.

Both were playing well and the end-game study of four pawns and two bishops aside was on the classic side with neither player committing himself to a single mistake.

Schure had permitted himself a lost tempo of two enticers but both were alive to positional possibilities and a draw after 50 moves was the fairest result to a well-played game.

TOURNEY STANDINGS

Standings after three rounds are:

	W	D	L	Pts
F. X. Sequeira	2	1	0	2½
P. K. Prokopov	1	1	1	1½
L. Schure	1	1	1	1½
K. M. A. Barnett	1	1	1	1½
J. P. de Carvalho	0	2	0	1
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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

Moscow, May 6.—Samuel Reshevsky of the United States and Vasily Smyslov of Russia, fighting for the runner up spot in the world championship chess tournament, played 40 moves without a decision today.

The game was adjourned until Friday and observers predicted it would end in a draw. Reshevsky and Smyslov each have eight and a half points. Mikhail Botvinnik of Russia is leading with 12.

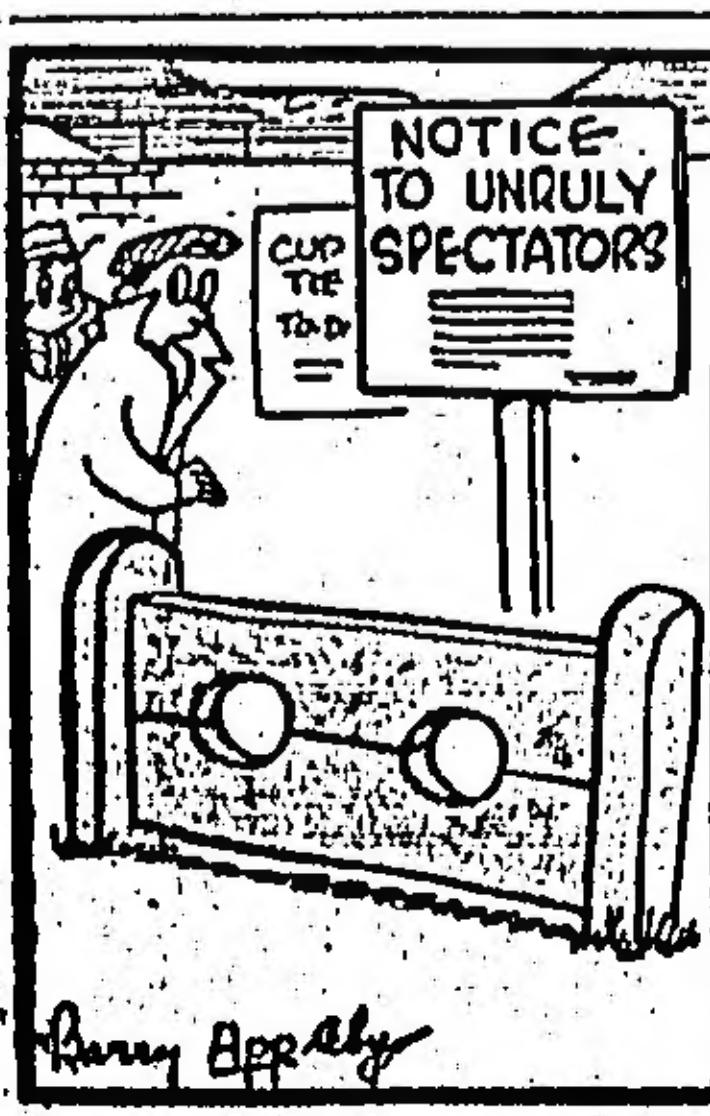
Dr. Max Euwe of Holland, on the 35th move today to draw even with Reshevsky and Smyslov temporarily with eight and a half points. Euwe has three and a half points.—Associated Press.

ORMONDE STAKES

FRENCH HORSE
IN FIRST

Chester, England, May 6.—Marcel Boussac's French five-year-old Guyana, carrying topweight of 120 pounds, won the one mile and six furlongs Ormonde stakes with £2,000 added today.

The French horse, an 11-2 shot, in a field of five, beat Monksa by a neck with the odds on favourite Migoll, owned by the Aga Khan one length away, third.—Associated Press.



FOR YOUR SPARE MOMENTS

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith

EXCLUSIVE 'TELEGRAPH' FEATURE

YOUR BIRTHDAY..... By STELLA

FRIDAY, MAY 7

BORN today, you are a natural extrovert; you make friends wherever you go, tackle problems with a robust directness which makes you a born leader, and seem to gain the admiration from everyone without appearing to lift a finger for it. Like the wine and the sun and the rain—they and you are inevitable!

Actually, you have a very keen mind and sharp insight. Beneath your jolly exterior, there is a very bright brain that is working all the time. You seldom miss a trick and probably would do very well indeed in public life, whether it be in politics, on the stage or in international politics. You enjoy fame and popularity but unless you learn to concentrate on some one specialty, rather than spread your energies over a wide field, you may become very well known and beloved locally but miss international recognition.

You are the proverbial "big frog in a small pond"—and your voice can be very loud indeed. You have

good, solid ideas, too, and your word is quite as good as a written contract. You believe that he who is faithful in small things is the one to be trusted with greater things. This probably will work out this way, eventually, in your case.

If, as a child, you have been repressed or suppressed and your enthusiasms "hushed" all the time, you may find that your natural talents have been repressed, as well, and it will take re-educating to bring out the dormant tendencies. You have a will of your own; learn to use it.

There probably will be one deep love in your life and to this you will always be true. If it culminates in marriage then you will be exceptionally happy. Otherwise, you might not wed at all, for you would not wish a substitute for your ideal.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Plan entertainment for today and you should have an enjoyable time. Shopping for a spring wardrobe may be in order, too.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Those connected with dressmaking and women's clothing accessories appear to have things in their favour now.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)—The home front calls for your full attention right now. Solve domestic problems as easily as you do others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—If you are planning a journey, then today may be a good time to begin it. Your business plans probably will work out well too.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Follow up yesterday's leads during the morning hours, but when afternoon comes, plan to rest up and relax.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Morning hours are the best. Don't make too elaborate plans for the balance of the day. Best for you to rest.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)—Finish up any necessary work this morning. Don't deal with important matters this afternoon. Postpone them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Better to wait for a more propitious day if you must make an important decision or sign papers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)—Make the morning hours count but afternoon that, take things easy. Don't push too hard. You need relaxation.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Things may appear brighter again but don't press your advantage beyond the realm of probability. Be reasonable.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 21)—Don't let an opportunity for advancement escape you. Good promotion and advertising always help a new ideal.

ARIES (Mar. 22-Apr. 20)—A good day for personal advancement. You can promote your interests, socially, if you go about it properly.

SCIENCE AT WORK:

MUSHROOM GROWING IN LIQUID SUCCESSFUL

BY PAUL F. ELLIS

THE successful growing of mushroom stalks in liquid rather than in soil has been reported by a California scientist.

The technique might simplify the art of mushroom growing and give a more plentiful supply of mushroom soups, gravies and flavourings. It might also lead to the growing of the complete mushroom without soil.

The scientist, Dr. Harry Humfeld, of the Western Regional Research Laboratory of the U.S. Department of Agriculture at Albany, California, said that the new substance may be also applied in the production of

drugs "and substances of pharmaceutical significance."

Planted on Wort Agar

Humfeld, reporting in the magazine Science, official publication of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, said that a stalk from the ordinary mushroom, grown in a commercial bed, was isolated and planted on wort agar. This is a substance used by brewers in the manufacture of beer.

OUTWARD MAILS

FRIDAY, MAY 7
Closing Times By Air

Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peiping, Chungking, Foochow and Swatow, 3:30 p.m.

Closing Times By Sea & Train

Manila (Sea) 3 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mombasa, Beira and Laurens Maritz (Sea) 3 p.m.
Hollow and Pakhoi via Hoihow (Sea) 3 p.m.
Canton (Parcels and 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, MAY 8
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Canton (Kowloon CPO) 7:30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12:30 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 9:30 a.m., Noon, 2:30 p.m.
Shanghai, 9 a.m. (reg); 9:30 a.m. (ord); Manila, P.I., Honolulu, U.S.A. and Canada, 9:30 a.m. (reg); 10 a.m. (ord).

Singapore and Paris, Noon.
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ZBW RADIO

11:15 P.m. Programme Summary: 6:01, Children's Half Hour, Songs with the Boys and Girls presented by Donald Fraser (Studio); 6:30, "One Night Stand" presented by Philip (Studio); 7, "Ambrose and Anne" Anne Shelton and Ambrose and the Orchestra (HDC); 7:30, Technicalities, "Audience Question" (Studio); 7:55, "In the Mood" World and Home News (London Relay); 8:15, "Gilbert and Sullivan" (Studio); 8:30, "The Story of a Great Partnership" (Studio); 8:50, "Popular Classics" (Studio); 9:30, World and Home News (London Relay); 10:15, Weather Report; 10:15, Interlude; 10:30, Verdi's Opera "Aida" Act 4 with Principals, Chorus and Orchestra from the Scala Opera, Milan; 11: Radio News (London Relay); 11:15, Weather Report and Close Down.

POCKET CARTOON

by OSBERT LANCASTER



BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

UNDER the new system of giving privileges to foreign holiday-makers who come here, a separate course in a two-course meal, provided that the quest drinks it from the glass in which it is served, so that it can be counted on the bill as a drink.

The snapshot

THE familiar sound of her daughter, blubbering brought the Great Ghoul of Chelmsford alias Mrs. Kijwidge to the spot. There stood Egham with the letter in one hand and the snapshot in the other. There was no escape. Mrs. Kijwidge advanced with the determination which had made her feared and hated on many a hockey field. "Show me that illicit photograph," she shouted in the tones of one whose penny has fallen to work a machine on Brighton pier. Egham held it out. One the back of it was written: "Do you remember taking this?" Mrs. Kijwidge with entirely unconscious humour said: "Mr. Kijwidge will no doubt like to see this. He will then know the kind of serpent he has been keeping in his bosom." "Is there any harm in taking a snapshot?" asked Egham feebly. "I doubt," replied the injured mother, "whether you will find in our family album either myself or my daughter in what appears to be a raincoat without a back to it."

More about braces

THE air is, apparently heavy with the crash of falling trousers. You can hardly hear yourself speak. Complainers continue to come in from the rottenness of braces. One ingenious fop has saved string from parcels, and rigged up a pair of braces of sorts. But, as he so justly remarks they cut into the shoulders, and when they burst everyone sees the loose ends of broken string. Nor can I forget the politician who, with a sweeping gesture, said to a crowded meeting: "Prices are, as we all know too high. Everything must come down." And down came his workaday breeches.

If only she would burst!

When you began to sing, I thought you'd burst. And there were moments when I feared the worst. But after half an hour which seemed a year, I must confess hope took the place of fear.

Night thought

Film producer's motto: Never kick a man when he is up.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Their colours: red, white and blue. 2. Yes. 3. Franklin D. Roosevelt. 4. Owyhee. 5. Archibald Alexander Leitch. 6. Plants that catch and devour insects and even small animals.



"I'm not supposed to tell you this, Mr. Griswold, until you finish the course...but I think you dance divinely."

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Competition From Jap Textiles Feared

New York, May 6.—The World-Telegram, in an article today, said cotton interests now fear an influx of Japanese textiles. The paper said trade sources asserted that "United States and British textile interests are displaying renewed anxiety over a revived Japanese threat to the markets."

HONGKONG STOCKS

The Hongkong stock market this morning was quiet and featureless, reflecting the usual week-end slackening off. Transactions totalled \$250,000. Business done this morning and noon prices follow.

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

GOVT. LOANS

5 1/2% (1935)	50,000	101
5 1/2% (1935)	15,000	101

BANKS

HK Bank	2050	2070
East Asia	140	140

INSURANCES

Canton	400
Underwriters	71 1/2

DOCKS, ETC.

K. Wharf (O)	160
Provokent	24 1/2

UTILITIES

Star Ferry	23 1/2	23 1/2
C. Light (O)	24 1/2	25 1/2

INDUSTRIALS

Cement	43 1/2	100
Walson (X)	50 1/2	

COTTONS

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Fluctuations In Cotton

New York, May 6.—Cotton futures closed on a note of strength after erratic fluctuations over a range nearly three dollars wide. Attempts of yesterday's sellers to cover revealed an overvalued market in final dealing. A large commission house was accredited buyer of upwards of 10,000 bales for July in final dealing, supposedly covering a firm southern speculative clique. Renewed resistance for July brought in buying textile mills and shippers against previous

Prices closed as follows:

Spot (in cents per lb.)	37.00 nominal
July	37.10
October	37.00
March (1949)	37.07
May	37.00 nominal
October	37.00

—United Press.

BLACK PEPPER MARKET

New York, May 6.—Black pepper futures closed inactive, nominally unchanged. The spot market remained restricted and while little buying interest was apparent, sellers maintained a firm attitude on prices. Sellers' views were buttressed by a drop in warehouse stocks plus higher recent bids in India and uncertainty over future shipments from primary market.

Prices closed as follows:

May (in cents per lb.)	45.00 nominal
July	45.00 nominal
September	45.00 nominal
October	45.00 nominal
December	45.00 nominal
January (1949)	45.00 nominal
March	45.00 nominal
Spot	45.00 asked
Spot (White Muntok)	44.00 nominal

—United Press.

CHICAGO GRAIN PRICES

Chicago, May 7.—Chicago Board of Trade grain prices closed today as follows:

WHEAT (Price per bushel)	2.40 1/2-2.41 1/4-2.47
May	2.40 1/2
July	2.41 1/4
September	2.42 1/4
October	2.43 1/4
November	2.44 1/4
December	2.45 1/4
January (1949)	2.46 1/4
February	2.47 1/4
March	2.48 1/4
April	2.49 1/4
May	2.50 1/4
June	2.51 1/4
July	2.52 1/4

—United Press.

Dollar Purchases By Scandinavia

Washington, May 6.—The International Monetary Fund today announced it has sold US\$3,200,000 to Denmark and US\$2,500,000 to Norway in April.

Total purchases of dollars so far by Denmark amount to US\$1,000,000 and Norway US\$5,000,000.—United Press.

Artificial Silk Industry

Buenos Aires, May 6.—The Argentine Government has established an enterprise with a capital of 50,000,000 pesos for the purpose of producing artificial silk which it previously had to import.—United Press.

Bank Of England Returns

London May 6.—Bank of England returns for the week ending May 5 are as follows:

Notes in circulation	£12,422,328,000
Public deposits	£2,022,000,000
Private deposits	£3,052,000,000
Government securities	£31,000,000,000

—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:

Chinese dollar (per HK\$)	13.70
Sterling notes (per £1)	13.70
U.S. dollars (per US\$1)	13.70
Gold bars (per 100)	22.00
Piastre (per 100)	11.10
Siamese (per 100)	23.20
NEZ guilders (per 100)	44.20

—United Press.

Copra And Oils Rule Firm

New York, May 6.—Coconut oil prices today strengthened, influenced by a firmer trend in the vegetable oil market. Buyers bid 23-1/2 to 23-3/4 cents a pound, in tank cars, Pacific coast, for spot supplies, with sellers offering at 24 cents.

Copra prices ruled steady but little stock was reported offered from the Philippine Islands. Small sales developed at US\$305 a short ton, C. I. F. Pacific Coast.—United Press.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Husband and Wife Differs in Opinions

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY

TODAY'S hand presents a problem and a little humour. I received it from Ralph E. de Castro, New York advertising man. He held the East hand, his wife West.

After a good deal of pondering South bid six spades. When his wife in the West position doubled. De Castro started to figure that if the opponents made their contract, they would get 720 for tricks, 500 for a small slam, 50 for making the contract, 300 for game, and they probably would have 150 honours—1720 points! He decided to make a stab in the dark.

Why did he bid seven diamonds instead of seven hearts? He says he cannot remember.

He trumped the opening spade lead and then led a small diamond over to dummy's ace, South showing out. Next he led dummy's heart, finessed the queen, and

again South showed out. He cashed the ace of hearts, discarding a club from dummy, then proceeded to ruff out hearts and spades. On the third spade North should have discarded the four of clubs, but instead he got muddled and trumped with his good queen of diamonds. So East just discarded a club and went down only one.

He was explaining what a nice bid he had made when Mrs. de Castro scornfully said, "I would have set the contract because I would have taken two club tricks." "You certainly would not," replied Mr. de Castro, "because he would have trumped you opening diamond lead. Then he would lead the king of clubs and you could not stop him from ruffing two clubs." However, his wife had an answer for that. "I was not going to open

Check Your Knowledge

1. What do the flags of the United States, Great Britain and France have in common?
2. Do snakes have teeth?
3. Name the first president of the United States to visit a foreign country during wartime.
4. What is the native name of Hawaii?
5. What is the motion picture actor Cary Grant's real name?
6. What are carnivorous plants?

(Answers on Column 5)

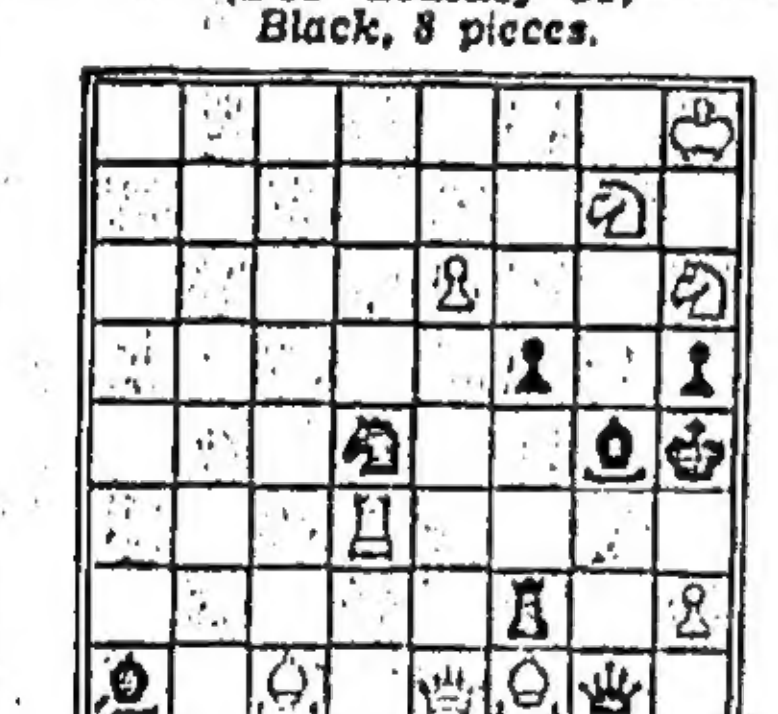
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CHESS PROBLEM

By M. de SILVEIRA
(BCF Tourney 54)
Black, 8 pieces.



White, 9 pieces.
White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

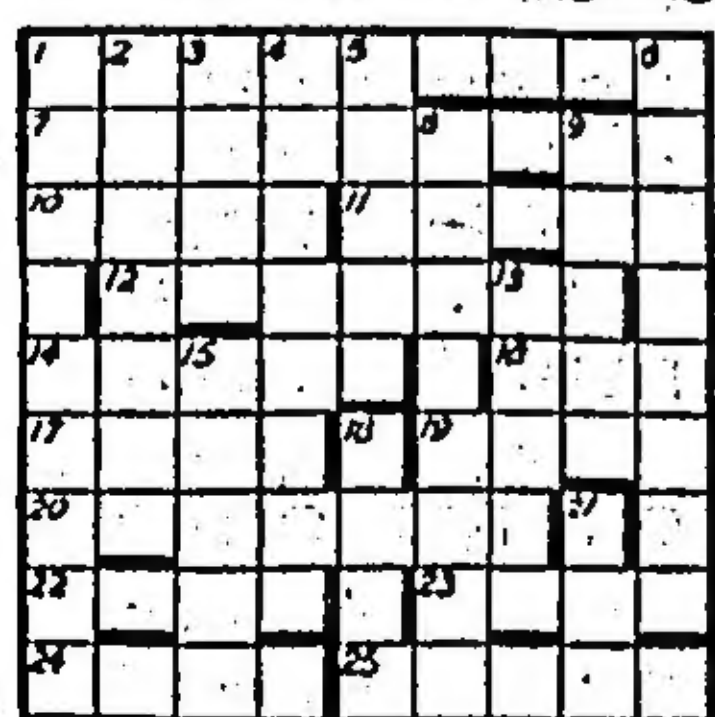
1. R-Q6; threat 2. R-Q2.
Kt-B5; Q x R (ch); 1...
P x R; 2. Q x R.

a diamond—I intended to open a trump.

And so on far into the night.

For my own comments, I would not recommend the six spade bid, because if North held the ace of clubs, they ought to be able to make seven. Also, if North held the ace of hearts and ace of diamonds, and South opened with six, North probably would go to seven.

CROSSWORD



1. Little knock. (4)
2. Scarlett's house. (4)
3. Force of motion. (7)
4. Secured dist. (4)
5. Just a small valley. (4)
6. Spin thread. (4)
7. Outsize. (5)
8. Down
9. Freedom from pretence. (9)
10. You have to change a pattern to get it. (7)
11. Thin plate of metal. (4)
12. Obscure. (9)
13. A visitor who is entertained. (5)
14. A type of metal. (4)
15. It provides a duo tit. (6)
16. Needs a solo-mate. (5)
17. Make design in metal or glass. (4)
18. (4)
19. Crawls in verdant pastures. (5)

2. Security that sometimes gives. (9)
3. Engrate. (9)
4. Although no fan will play it, for pictures good or bad. (5)
5. The best (anagram). (7)
6. Dressed out. (7)
7. Fabulous bird. (8)

1. Add 4. Clues of 1201: 3 and 4. Clues of 1202: 3 and 4. Clues of 1203: 3 and 4. Clues of 1204: 3 and 4. Clues of 1205: 3 and 4. Clues of 1206: 3 and 4. Clues of 1207: 3 and 4. Clues of 1208: 3 and 4. Clues of 1209: 3 and 4. Clues of 1210: 3 and 4.

China's Experiment In Social Welfare

Heavy Spending On Defence

London, May 6.—Britain will spend more on defence this year than on any other single item. A booklet on "our money" published by the government tonight showed that 4s 8d—23 per cent—of every pound sterling spent by it will go for the Army, Navy and Air Force to pay food, clothing, arms and other equipment.

The defence expenditure actually will be £693,000,000 out of the total expenditure of £2,976,000,000.

Other expenditures include 3s 10d of every pound for education, health and housing; 2s 4d for interest on national debt; 2s 8d for food subsidies; 2s 4d for pensions, family benefits and other social services; 9d for the occupation of Germany and other overseas expenditures and 2s 6d for miscellaneous expenses.

The booklet also showed that there are only 8,000 persons in Britain with incomes of more than £10,000 a year.

It was disclosed that the average family spent £1-5s-1/2d on other expenses, leaving 7s 1/2d for saving. —United Press.

STRENGTHENING U.S. AIR FORCE

Washington, May 6.—The Senate today approved a \$3,235,200,000 bill to increase the United States Air Force combat strength from 55 to 70 groups.

The measure will now go back to the House of Representatives for a consideration of several Senate amendments.

Senator Styles Bridges, Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee, had urged speedy approval of the bill because Russia might have the atomic bomb in the next few years.

"By our action on this bill, we will help to determine what weapons this country shall have at its disposal from 1951 to 1953," he said. "We are worried it is in this period Russia may have earned the greatest military advantages which we now hold by virtue of our exclusive possession of the atomic bomb." —Reuter.

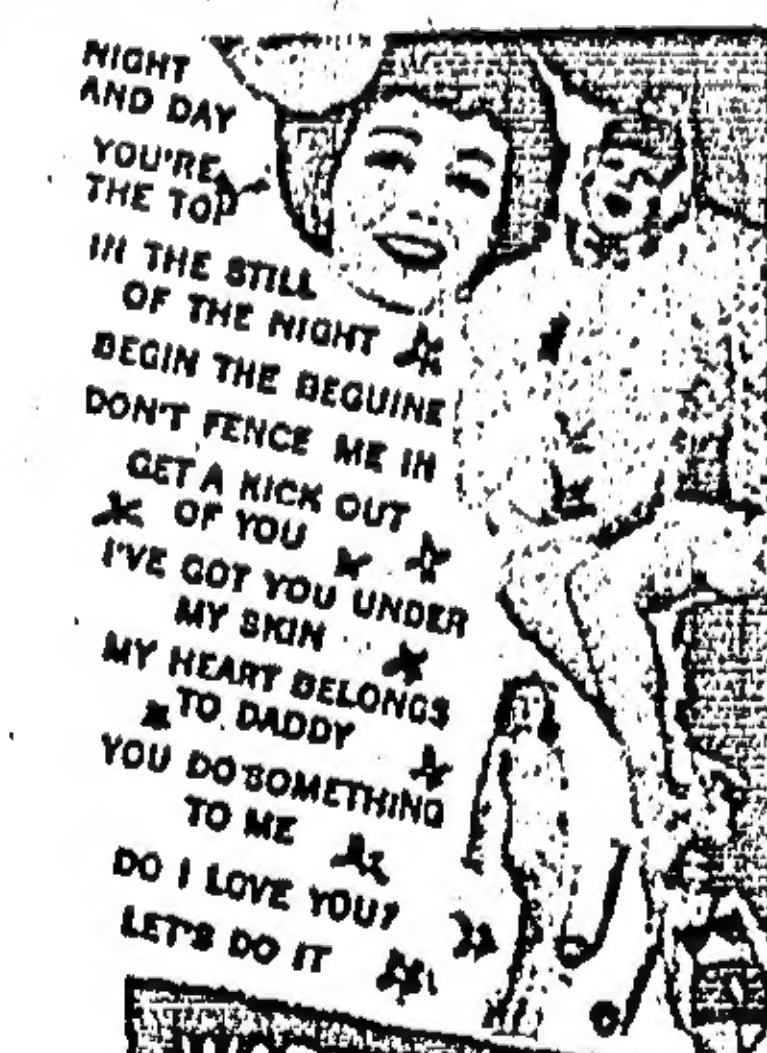
CIVIL SERVANT ARRESTED

Rangoon, May 6.—U Tun Aung Gyan, head of the Burmese Government Servants Union, was arrested today for making an anti-Government speech.

He has accused the Government of being misled by bureaucrats and promised to chastise it. —Reuter.

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FUNDS FROM SALE OF RATIONED GOODS TO BE USED FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Shanghai, May 6.—An ambitious experiment in social welfare never before tried in China is proving a success. It is the programme of rationing essential foodstuffs under a system by which equal distribution of selected foods is effected and which at the same time provides funds for long-range, permanent projects in the field of public works.

The operation is simple. Rice and edible oils are sold to the public through a rationing system, and the money collected is to be spent on public works such as flood control, irrigation, sanitation and communications.

The administering organizations, in which direct United States supervision is provided, is the China Relief Mission, of which Donald S. Gilpatrick is head. Both the American and Chinese governments supply the bulk of the food, and the rationing is carried out by the municipal governments of Shanghai, Nanjing, Peiping, Tientsin and Canton.

In each of these five cities, selected for the experimental stages of the programme, the food is distributed under municipal supervision. Ration coupons are issued to Chinese and foreign residents alike. The coupons are surrendered for the food, the money is deposited in designated banks and then it is spent on specified programmes in each locality.

CANTON BEGINS PROJECTS

Canton was the first of the five cities to begin carrying out the long-range phases, with work already under way on flood control projects.

An example of how the plan works is given in the April report for Shanghai. A total of 415,660 piculs, or 22,872 tons, of rice, were distributed through rationed channels, bringing a return of C\$1,169,277,233.305, which will be spent in the Shanghai area for public works.

The programme is being financed by a US\$45,000,000 American post-UNRRA grant, and was devised in a series of conferences among American and Chinese officials, and was formally approved by the United States State Department. Ratification of the programme by the Chinese government came on February 24, 1948 when it was approved by the Executive Yuan.

Representing the Chinese government in carrying out the programme is Y. T. Miao, chairman of the Executive Yuan Commission for American supplies.

4-MONTH EXPERIMENT

The programme is operating successfully in its trial stage, and by the time the four-month experimental period ends on June 30, a total of 180,000 tons of rice are expected to have been distributed in Shanghai and Nanjing, and an additional 144,000 tons in Canton, Peiping and Tientsin.

The system also is expected to serve as a model for the US\$338,000,000 commodity loan, the American overall US\$463,000,000 aid programme for China.

Although the rationing system is in effect only in the five cities, all of China is, theoretically at least, slated to receive the overall benefits.

Both governmental and private agencies will be helped, in projects carried out from the proceeds of the ration sales. The immediate areas of the five cities will receive the initial benefits, but ultimately all the Chinese people, in theory, will benefit from it.

Both China and the United States are contributing supplies. Most of the rice is coming from the States, but most of the edible oils is provided in China. Theoretically, the ratio of the total programme is half and half.

The underlying principle on which the United States agreed on the programme, and to which the Chinese government subscribed, was that it be essentially one of self-help.

It was also recognized that the only way in which China could expect further aid, as Mr Miao said recently, "was, on its own behalf, to undertake measures leading to more economical utilisation of imported and indigenous relief-type supplies." —United Press.

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Chinese Alphabet Devised

Berkeley, California, May 6.—An Alphabet for the Chinese language has been devised by the University of California Department of Oriental Languages. The alphabet would enable Chinese to learn the symbolic characters at present used in Chinese writing.

The alphabet uses the Latin alphabet as basis with an additional letter to denote the unaspirated Chinese "ts" sound. This is denoted by the figure three.

With such a system, Chinese could be written and read in Roman letters. It could be translated with about the same effort required to translate any modern language which utilises the conventional Roman alphabet.

Dr Peter A. Boodberg, head of the university's Department of Oriental Languages, said the Chinese need an alphabet in order to take their proper place in the world community. The proposed alphabet has been published in a University publication. —Associated Press.

MILITARY GOODS FOR TURKEY

Ankara, May 6.—About 16,000 tons of military supplies, due for delivery to Turkey after July 1, the second part of the American aid programme, will be sent at once, it was reported here today.

During the last three months, the delivery of war materials has been speeded up and the first part of the programme is almost completed.

Four modern submarines are due to arrive at the Aegean Sea port of Smyrna on May 20. Cruisers and destroyers are also on the way.

Turkey has invited American instructors to work in the Army, Navy and Air Force, and on road construction. —Reuter.

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Chang Chun To Stand As Premier

Nanking, May 6.—Premier Chang Chun has yielded to Chiang Kai-shek's insistence and will head China's first constitutional government, an authoritative source said today.

Chang, under heavy pressure from Chiang, abandoned plans to retire as President of the Executive Yuan (Council) and agreed to accept Chiang's nomination to the Premiership, the source said.

The Generalissimo's selection of Chang slips at the Assembly clique that elected General Li Tsung-jen as Vice President. —Associated Press.

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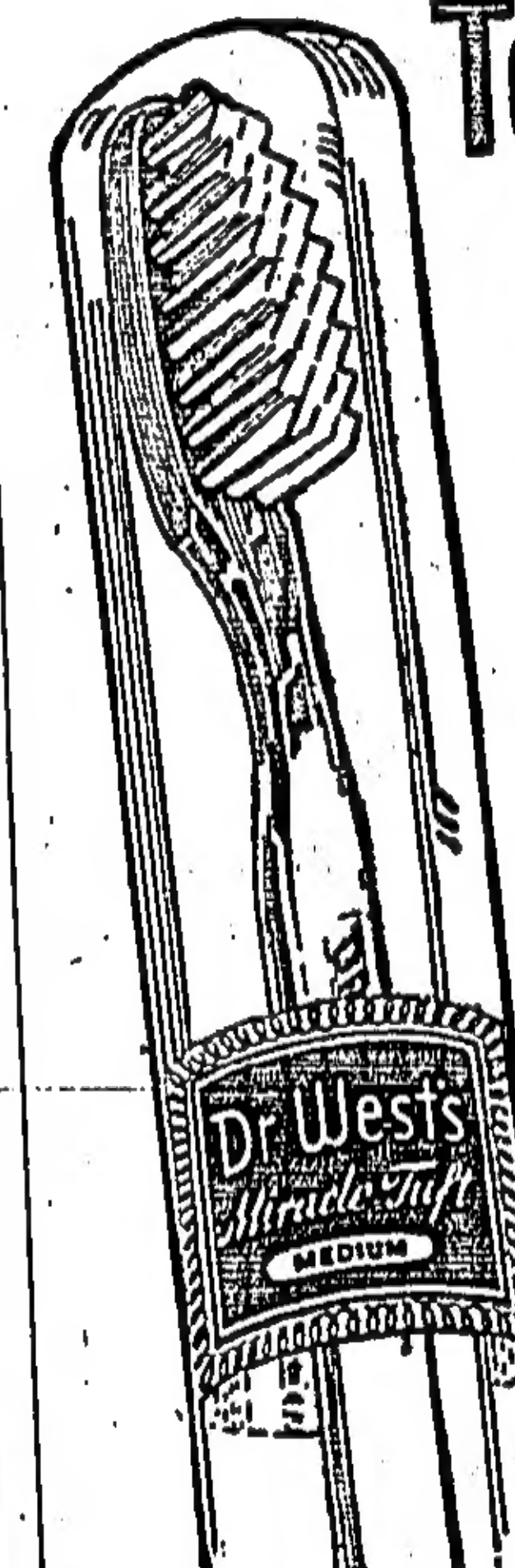
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